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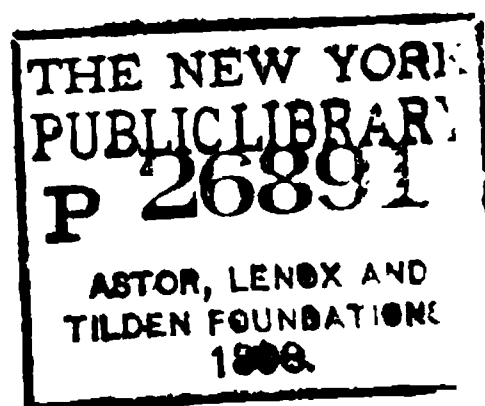
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**HELD IN ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN,**  
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*Of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church Canonically  
resident in the Diocese of Delaware, May 25th, 1853.*

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\***RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE**, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of  
St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington. *May 25th, 1853.*

\***REV. BREED BATCHELLER**, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton, and  
Missionary at Newport. *May 25th, 1853.*

\***REV. THOMAS F. BILLOPP**, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle. *Mar 29th, 1853.*  
**REV. CHARLES BRESK**, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington. *May 25th, 1853.*

53 \***REV. SAMUEL C. BRINCKLE**, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hd. *May 25th, 1853.*

\***REV. WILLIAM H. BROOKS**, Deacon, Minister of St. Thomas' Church,  
Newark. *May 25th, 1853.*

**REV. RICHARD F. CADLE**, Rector of St. John's Church, Little Hill;  
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

51 \***REV. SAMUEL T. CARPENTER**, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,  
and Missionary at Dover. *May 25th, 1853.*

† **REV. CORRY CHAMBERS**, residing in Wilmington.

\***REV. GEORGE HALL**, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River, St. *June 9th, 1853.*  
Mark's, Millsboro', and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

\***REV. HIRAM R. HARROLD**, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Appoquinimink,  
[and Christ Church, Delaware City.] *May 25th, 1853.*

**REV. Z. H. MANSFIELD.**

\***REV. JOHN L. MCKIM**, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown. *Jan 8th, 1844.*

**REV. DAVID MCILVAINE**, Deacon, residing at Lewes. *May 25th, 1853.*

\***REV. GREENBURY W. RIDGELY**, Missionary in Brandywine Hundred. *May 25th, 1853.*

**REV. WILLIAM H. TRAPNELL.** *May 25th, 1853.*

**ALFRED LEE,**

*Bishop of the Prot. Ep. Church in Delaware.*

\* Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

† *Rev. John B. Calhoun, Rector of the Church of the  
Ascension, Brandywine Hundred.*

## LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

*Certificates of whose election by their respective churches were presented  
and approved.*

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William C. Lodge,		<i>Church of the Ascension, Brandywine Hundred.</i>
Samuel Baily,	}	<i>St. Andrew's, Wilmington.</i>
John B. Lewis,		
*T. Jenifer Adams,	}	<i>Trinity, Wilmington.</i>
Henry H. J. Naff,		
Alexis I. du Pont,	}	<i>Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.</i>
Richard Brindley,		
William T. Read,	}	<i>Immanuel, New Castle.</i>
William Guthrie,		
Robert C. Justis,	}	<i>St. James', Stanton.</i>
Walter E. Mitchell,		
Solomon M. Curtis,	}	<i>St. Thomas', Newark.</i>
Theodore C. Hurd,		
Daniel Cummins,	}	<i>St. Peter's, Smyrna.</i>
David J. Cummins,		
*Samel P. Jefferson,	}	<i>Christ Church, Milford.</i>
George R. Fisher,		
James Stuart,	}	<i>St. Paul's, Georgetown.</i>
Hon. C. S. Layton,		
Dr. Wm. M. L. Rickards,	}	<i>St. Peter's, Lewes.</i>
William M. Hickman,		
James F. Burton,	}	<i>St. George's, Indian River.</i>
John B. Burton,		
Joshua Wharton,	}	<i>St. Mark's, Millsboro'.</i>
Woolsey Burton,		
John S. Waples,	}	<i>Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.</i>
Capt. Henry Hickman,		
Samuel Kinney,	}	<i>Christ Church, Broad Creek.</i>
Dr. W. H. White,		
James Ponder,	}	<i>Church of St. John the Baptist, Milton.</i>
Theodore W. Parker,		
Christ Church, Delaware City,	}	<b>NOT REPRESENTED.</b>
St. Ann's, Middletown,		
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,		
St. John's Church, Little Hill,		
St. Luke's Church, Seaford,	}	
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On motion of the Hon. C. S. Layton, the Rev. William H. Brooks was chosen Secretary, *pro tem.*

A list of the Clergy entitled to seats in this Convention was called over by the Secretary *pro tem.*, and the following gentlemen answered to their names :

Reverend Breed Batcheller,  
" Thomas F. Billopp,  
" Samuel C. Brinckle,  
" William H. Brooks,  
" Samuel T. Carpenter,  
" Greenbury W. Ridgely.

The Chair appointed the Rev. S. T. Carpenter and Mr. Alexis I. du Pont a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

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Luke's Church, Seaford, }  
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## **OF THE**

### **PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.**

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN, MAY 25<sup>TH</sup>, 1853.

This being the day constitutionally appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, a number of Clerical and Lay Delegates assembled in St. Paul's Church, at nine o'clock, A. M.

The Bishop being absent in consequence of indisposition, on motion of the Rev. G. W. Ridgely, the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle was chosen Chairman. After taking the chair, and calling the Convention to order, the Chairman announced that Dr. J. F. Wilson, the Secretary of the last Convention, had resigned his office, and that the election of a Secretary *pro tem.* was then in order.

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" William H. Brooks,  
" Samuel T. Carpenter,  
" Greenbury W. Ridgely.

The Chair appointed the Rev. S. T. Carpenter and Mr. Alexis I. du Pont a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of those reported by this Committee, as having been duly elected, the following answered to their names, and took seats in the Convention:

William C. Lodge,	Alexis I. du Pont,	Theodore C. Hurd,
Richard Brindley,	Hon. C. S. Layton,	Solomon M. Curtis,
James Stuart,	James F. Burton,	Joshua Wharton,
John B. Burton,	Daniel Cummins,	Woolsey Burton,
David I. Cummins,	H. H. J. Naff,	William T. Read,
Robert C. Justis,	William Guthrie,	Samuel Baily.
Walter E. Mitchell,	John B. Lewis,	

The Convention proceeded to the election of a Secretary. Mr. Samuel Baily nominated the Rev. William H. Brooks. Messrs. James Stuart and H. H. J. Naff were appointed tellers, and, upon counting the ballots, reported that the Rev. William H. Brooks had been elected. Whereupon the Chair declared the Rev. William H. Brooks to be Secretary of the Convention for the ensuing year.

On motion of the Rev. Thomas F. Billopp, the Rev. William H. Brooks was declared to be unanimously elected.

The House, being fully organized, proceeded to business.

On motion of Mr. William T. Read, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present meeting.

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#### **RULES OF ORDER.**

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.
6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of

implications for an address from the Rt Rev Chairman, the Vicar  
united in chanting the Gloria in excelsis. Prayers were said  
the Bishop was pronounced by the Rt. Rev the Chairman  
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C. L. L. Rev.

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~~On motion~~ On motion balloting for Secretary was unanimously discharged with; whereupon on nomination, Rev. — the former Secretary, was elected.

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All resolutions shall be reduced to writing,  
presented to the Society, & by him read to the  
House: & no motion shall be considered before  
the House unless seconded.

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the following resolutions adopted  
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the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate, during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

8. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

9. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

10. No motion shall be considered as before the house, unless it be seconded; and reduced to writing [when required.]

11. When any question is before the house, it shall be determined on before any new thing is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

12. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

13. When the house is about to rise every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

14. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

15. The charge or sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each clergyman, and ten copies to each vestry in the Diocese.

The Rev. G. W. Ridgely offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That Clergymen and candidates for orders, who may be present and not entitled to seats, be and they are hereby invited to attend the sittings of this Convention.

On motion of the Hon. C. S. Layton, it was

*Resolved*, That the election of the Standing Committee, Delegates to the General Convention, and Members of the Missionary and Edu-

cation Committee, be the first business in order, at the afternoon session..

On motion of the Rev. S. T. Carpenter, the Convention took a recess for Divine Service.

The order for Daily Morning Prayer and the Ante-Communion Service were read by the Rev. Thomas F. Billopp.

The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle preached the Convention Sermon, after which, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Billopp, he administered the Holy Communion. The congregation being dismissed, the Convention was again called to order by the chairman.

The Rev. George Hall appeared and took his seat.

The following Lay Delegates presented testimonials of election from their respective Parishes, which were examined and found correct.— They answered to their names, and took their seats.

James Ponder,	}	<i>Church of St. John the Baptist, Milton.</i>
Theodore W. Parker,		
John S. Waples,	}	<i>Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.</i>
Capt. Henry Hickman,		
Dr. Wm. M. L. Rickards,	}	<i>St. Peter's, Lewes.</i>
William M. Hickman,		
George R. Fisher,		<i>Christ Church, Milford.</i>

On motion of Mr. Samuel Baily, the chair appointed Messrs. S. Baily and George R. Fisher a committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts.

Certain alterations in the fourth article of the Constitution of the Church in this Diocese, which had been presented to the last Convention, and adopted by it, were brought up for the consideration of this House.

The Rev. ~~Wm.~~ T. F. Billopp offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the proposed alterations be confirmed by the Convention.

Which was lost.

On motion of the Hon. C. S. Layton, the Chair appointed the Rev. G. W. Ridgely and Mr. Alexis I. du Pont to fill the vacancies in the Committee on Canons and Standing Resolutions.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until half-past two o'clock, this afternoon.



Present as yesterday, with the exception of — who  
were absent, & with the addition of —  
Morning Prayer was read by the Rev — assisted by the  
Rev who read the Lessons.

When the roll was called, the following members  
not present yesterday at the call of the House,  
answered to their names.

The question being put upon this amendment it was  
decided in the negative.

The question then remained upon the original resolution  
which was adopted.

— moved to lay upon the table, which motion he tempo-  
rarily withdrew, to give members of the House opportunity  
to express their views upon the subject-matter of the  
resolution. The motion to lay upon the table being renewed  
it was lost.

— offered the following amendment, — which was accepted  
by — & adopted by the House. — introduced the following  
amendment, which was also accepted by — on motion,  
adopted by the House, to wit —

The question being taken on this amendment, it was lost.

The — asked & obtained leave of absence during the re-  
minders of the session.  
On motion the House went into the election of the Standing Committee  
for the ensuing year, which resulted in the choice of the  
Rev. Messrs — of the clergy & Messrs — of the laity.  
On motion the House proceeded to ballot for a clerk to the further  
which, after several ballotings resulted in the election  
of Rev Messrs — of the clergy & Messrs — of the laity.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read, & after  
amendment, approved.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN, May 25th, 1853,  
2½ o'clock. P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The minutes of the morning session were read, amended and approved.

The Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's account, reported, after examining the same, that they found it correct.

Mr. Samuel Kinney and Dr. W. H. White presented their testimonials of election as delegates from Christ Church, Broad Creek, which being referred to the appropriate committee and found correct, the gentlemen answered to their names, and took seats in the Convention.

The Committee on Canons and standing Resolutions presented the following report, which was adopted :

"The Committee on Canons and standing Resolutions to whom was referred by the last Convention the duty to inquire into the expediency of incorporating with the present canons of the Diocese, No. 11 of the proposed canons, entitled "Enquiries, Trials and Penalties," have had this matter under consideration, and beg leave to report :

That, in the opinion of the Committee, the whole subject of this No. 11 of the proposed canons in the Journal of 1841, pp. 17, 18, is sufficiently provided for in Articles 10 and 11 of the Constitution of this Diocese; and that it is therefore unnecessary to make any canonical provision on the subject.

The Committee on Canons, appointed at the Convention of 1851, submitted the following report which was adopted :

The Committee on Canons, appointed at the Convention of 1851 of this Diocese, to whom were referred "the (so called) Standing Resolutions," printed on page 31 of the Journal of 1850, for the purpose of incorporating such of them as they may deem necessary into the Canons and Rules of Order of this Convention," beg leave to present the following, to wit :

I. In relation to the meeting of the Convention alternately in each county that many and striking benefits have resulted from this practice, such as

1. The equalization of the burthens to the Delegates attending the Convention.

2. In creating and continuing a greater degree of interest in and for the Church in those several localities where the Conventions may

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be alternately held, among the members and friends of the P. E. Church.

3. In awakening an interest and a spirit of inquiry in relation to the Constitution, Doctrines and Discipline of the P. E. Church on the part of our citizens generally, thus more frequently called to witness her deliberations in Convention; heed her ministrations in the sanctuary; and

4. In securing a large, general attendance of the Delegates in Convention—thus very greatly extending intelligence in relation to the government and discipline of the Church among her members and friends.

But as it has been suggested, that this (so called) *standing* Resolution does, in some degree, conflict with Art. 2 of the Constitution of the Church, (though this conflict is not perceived,) the committee would propose an Amendment to that Art. 2, thus—after the words “in each year,” and before the words “at such places,” insert these words—“alternately in each county in this State.” *Provided*, however, that in case of a prevailing contagious disease in the place thus designated; or a domestic insurrection in, or of an invasion of the county so named for holding the Convention, by a public enemy—that the Bishop, with the approbation of the Standing Committee; or the Standing Committee, if there be no Bishop, may appoint such other place for the annual meeting of the Convention, as they may deem expedient; of which change of the place of holding the Convention, due public notice shall be given, and also special notice to the ministers of the several parishes in this State.”

And this (so called) standing Resolution be retained, till the above proposed amendment to Art. 2 of the Constitution be adopted.

II. The following is proposed as Canon XIV of the P. E. Church in this Diocese:

#### CANON XIV.

##### *Of Elections.*

“In all elections, not otherwise provided for and regulated by the Constitution of the P. E. Church in this State, the votes of a majority of all the members present; or, if voting by orders, of a majority of all present of the respective orders, shall be necessary to a choice.”

III. The following is proposed as

#### CANON XV.

##### *Of Episcopal Contributions.*

“It shall be the duty of the Wardens of every Parish, to collect at

A fourth ballot was taken for - Celer.

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The Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Com.  
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being nominated, was unanimously re-elected.

The Rollot was unanimously discharged with, & the following  
persons elected on nomination.

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Rollot to which refers to ... presented the following  
report:

The Tellers administered & collected & counted the ballots  
cast for each to the Com, reported that the polling  
persons had sent a majority of the votes cast &  
were duly elected.

The election of each to the Com was then ordered. Tellers were  
appointed for the Clerical votes viz: the

For the Lay vote, -

The Tellers reported the polling first checked, in both orders  
& second ballot was then taken for - Clerical & -  
Lay votes. The Tellers reported no check by the Clerical  
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there being no concurrence of the two orders a third  
ballot was taken.

The Tellers reported the Res - as elected by both orders  
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the rate of fifty cents annually for each communicant therein, together with such other voluntary contributions as may be made to them for the same object—either privately or by public collections for that object, in their respective Parishes; and pay the same over annually to the Treasurer of the Convention for the time being, subject to the Bishop's order, for his own private use."

**IV. Make Canon XIV to be Canon XVI.**

The Convention then proceeded to the order of the day, being the election of the Standing Committee, Delegates to the General Convention, and members of the Missionary and Education Committee.

The Rev. George Hall, of the clergy, and Mr. George R. Fisher, of the laity, were appointed tellers to receive and count the ballots for members of the Standing Committee.

The following gentlemen were nominated, and upon counting the ballots, the tellers reported that they had received a majority of the votes of the Convention:

*Of the Clergy.*

Rev. Breed Batcheller,  
 " Charles Breck,  
 " S. C. Brinckle.

*Of the Laity.*

Mr. Samuel Baily,  
 " Solomon M. Curtis.

The Chair declared these gentlemen duly elected, as the Standing Committee, for the ensuing year.

The same Tellers were appointed to receive and count the votes for Delegates to the General Convention.

Nominations were made and the House proceeded to ballot. After an examination, the Tellers reported that a majority of the votes of the House had been given in favor of the following gentlemen:

*Of the Clergy.*

Rev. G. W. Ridgely,  
 " S. T. Carpenter,  
 " George Hall,  
 " S. C. Brinckle.

*Of the Laity.*

Capt. S. F. du Pont,  
 Hon. C. S. Layton,  
 J. F. Burton, Esq.,  
 Hon. J. J. Milligan.

The Chair declared these gentlemen duly elected Delegates to the next General Convention.

The House proceeded to the election of members of the Missionary and Education Committee,

The Chair appointed the same Tellers to act, who, upon counting the ballots, reported the following gentlemen to have received the votes of the Convention :

*Clergy.*

Rev. S. T. Carpenter,

" S. C. Brinckle.

*Laity.*

Dr. J. F. Wilson.

Edward G. Bradford, Esq.

The Chair declared the above named gentlemen duly elected the Missionary and Education Committee for the ensuing year.

The Missionary and Education Committee made their Eleventh Annual Report, as follows:

*Eleventh Annual Report of the Missionary and Education Committee.*

The Committee report that they have received since the last Convention the following contributions, viz :

From collection at Missionary Sermon last year,	\$12 54
" St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington,	121 50
" Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	100 65
" Trinity Church, Wilmington,	17 24
" St. Thomas' Church, Newark,	22 27
" St. Peter's       " Smyrna,	11 18
" St. Paul's       " Georgetown,	6 25
" St. James'       " Stanton,	4 67
" St. Peter's       " Lewes,	3 00
" Christ       " Dover,	4 93
" St. George's       " I. R. and Chapel of the Comforter,	4 50
" St. Mark's       " Millsboro',	2 50
" Grace       " Baltimore Mills,	1 00
" St. John's       " Little Hill,	1 50
" St. Luke's       " Seaford,	3 50
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	\$317 23
Domestic Committee of the General Board of Missions,	206 25
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Total,	\$523 48

The appropriations have been as follows:

To Rev. J. L. McKim,	\$150
“ “ George Hall,	125
“ “ B. Batcheller,	25
“ Foreign Missions as directed by Donors,	64 03
“ Domestic Committee, New York,	47 55

The Committee, in presenting their eleventh annual report, would beg leave to submit a comprehensive statement of the expenditure for Missions within the Diocese, since the work was recommenced under the present arrangement; and, so far as their information extends, of the results of expenditure and labor.

The means for sustaining this work have been derived from two sources. One is the contributions of our Parishes, forwarded, as required by Canon IX., to the committee; a statement of which has been annually published in their reports to Convention.

The other source is the General Missionary Society of the Church, through the Domestic Committee, New York. The aid of that Committee has been kindly extended to our Diocese since the year 1842; a certain sum being apportioned to the Diocese, to be distributed agreeably to their rules, among the Missionaries, according to the commendation of the Bishop.

The embarrassments however, under which the Treasury of the Domestic Committee was laboring for a series of years, have been such as to disqualify them from redeeming their pledges, and have occasioned much suffering among those dependent upon them for aid. To obviate this evil the Diocesan Missionary Committee agreed to raise one half the amount due to our own laborers, on condition that the other half be paid by the Domestic Committee without delay. In this way we have been enabled to secure the prompt payment of the promised stipends. The Diocesan Committee have only been enabled to meet this engagement, by the liberal contributions received, as exigency required, from St. Andrew's church, Wilmington.

The whole amount derived from the General Society has been expended in Sussex county, and the adjoining parish of Milford, in Kent county. If any injustice has been done to other parts of the State by this appropriation, we can only plead the strong desire of our Diocesan

to revive the decayed Parishes of this section. The whole amount that could be obtained from the above mentioned sources, was no more than was indispensable to provide these churches with the ministrations of the Gospel. To curtail these appropriations would have required, either that the doors of some of them should be closed, or that the district assigned to one laborer, already inconveniently large, should be still more extended. This therefore must be our apology for the concentration of nearly all our efforts upon this portion of our field. The parishes thus aided have been, with slight occasional exceptions, distributed into three districts, as follows:

1. Georgetown, Cedar Creek and Millford.
2. The S. Eastern, comprising Lewes, St. George's, Millsboro' and Baltimore Hundred.
3. The S. Western, comprising Seaford, Broad Creek, Laurel and Little Hill.

From 1843 to 1850 the amount furnished by the General Society was \$600 per annum, which was for most of that time equally divided among the three laborers. In October 1849, the New York Committee intimated that it must be reduced after April 1st, 1850, to four hundred dollars. As your committee had been previously aiding our Missionaries to the extent of their means, and those means were not increased by the churches, although the fact was brought to the notice of the Convention in our report of May, 1850, there was no alternative but to diminish to some extent the salaries of the Missionaries.—This was not however done at once to the full extent, your committee continuing for another year to pay their part as before. The diminution was not made alike upon all—the \$400 given by the General Society being apportioned, to the Rev. Mr. McKim \$150, to Rev. Messrs. Hall and Hoskins \$125 each.

The committee believe the following to be a nearly accurate statement of the amounts which have been paid by the N. Y. Committee and themselves, to the different Missionaries who have been from time to time employed, viz: to

Rev. Mr. Franklin, about 3 years,	-	-	-	-	\$600 00
" " Long, " 2½ "	-	-	-	-	500 00
" " McKim, " 9½ "	-	-	-	-	1705 25
" " Childs, " 3 "	-	-	-	-	600 00
" " Hall, " 4½ "	-	-	-	-	640 05
" " Smith, " 2 "	-	-	-	-	400 00
" " Hoskins, " 3½ "	-	-	-	-	504 30
" " Harrold, " 2 "	-	-	-	-	200 00
" " Batcheller,	-	-	-	-	50 00
" " Carpenter,	-	-	-	-	45 81

The expenditure at the different stations has been as follows: at

Georgetown and Milford,	-	-	-	-	1931 25
Lewes, Millsboro', &c.,	-	-	-	-	1565 05
Seaford, Little Hill, &c.,	-	-	-	-	1403 30
Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	200 00
Stanton and Newport,	-	-	-	-	100 00
Dover,	-	-	-	-	45 81

In summing up the results of nearly eleven years effort in this our principal missionary field, we find that the confirmations have been as follows: In the Georgetown and Milford District, 25; S. Eastern District, 31; S. Western District, 89. The number of communicants has in the Georgetown and Milford District, diminished from 40 to 21, in the Lewes, &c. District, increased from 48 to 58; in the Seaford, &c. increased about 50.

In the Georgetown District there has been one church built, and one abandoned. In the Millsboro' District three churches built; one abandoned. In the Seaford District there has been one church finished, one repaired and one built.

The following are the sums contributed by different parishes since the new organization:

St. Andrew's,	-	-	-	-	\$2216 07
Trinity,	-	-	-	-	1380 44
New Castle,	-	-	-	-	885 51
Christ Church, Christiana, (in two years)	-	-	-	-	186 48
Middletown,	-	-	-	-	122 30
Lewes,	-	-	-	-	126 69
Georgetown,	-	-	-	-	149 85
Smyrna,	-	-	-	-	71 16
St. George's, Indian River,	-	-	-	-	45 23
Long Neck,	-	-	-	-	8 70

Newark,	-	-	-	-	-	174 59
Little Hill,	-	-	-	-	-	27 91
Seaford,	-	-	-	-	-	23 06
Broad Creek and Laurel,	-	-	-	-	-	19 46
Stanton.	-	-	-	-	-	15 65
Dagsboro' and Millsboro',	-	-	-	-	-	39 11
Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	-	6 09
Baltimore Mills,	-	-	-	-	-	5 24

Your committee have had under consideration the matter referred to them by resolution of the last Convention, relative to the better support of the Parochial Clergy; but could come to no conclusion with regard to the recommendation of any specific measure.

ALFRED LEE,  
S. C. BRINCKLE,  
S. T. CARPENTER,  
JOHN B. LEWIS,  
J. F. WILSON.

On motion of Mr. S. Baily, it was

*Resolved*, That the next convention be held in Trinity church, Wilmington.

The Rev. T. F. Billopp offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That this Convention approve of the proposed amendment of Article V. of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. A. as agreed upon in General Convention, 1850.

On motion of Mr. William T. Read it was

*Resolved*, That the Protestant Episcopal Historical Society be and is hereby recommended to the patronage and support of churchmen in the Diocese of Delaware.

The bill of Evans & Vernon amounting to \$46 for printing Journal of Convention of 1852, and advertising, and the bill of Dr. J. F. Wilson, late Secretary, amounting to \$8 50, for expenses officially incurred, were read, and the Treasurer directed to pay the same.

The Hon. C. S. Layton, after reading a communication from the Rev. Corry Chambers, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That this Convention recommend that in the churches of the Diocese of Delaware, collections be taken up in his behalf; the

same to be paid over to the Bishop of the Diocese.<sup>2</sup>

On motion of Mr. William Hickman it was

*Resolved*, That the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese, as amended, be printed in the Journal of the Proceedings of this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. George Hall, Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, was excused from contributing to the Convention Fund.

On motion of the Rev. G. W. Ridgely, the Chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. Carpenter and Billopp a Committee to draught, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese, to be presented to the next stated meeting of the General Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Carpenter, the Rev. T. F. Billopp, and the Lay Delegates from Immanuel Church, New Castle, and Trinity Church, Wilmington, were excused from further attendance on the Convention.

The Secretary then read to the Convention the Bishop's Annual Address :

## ADDRESS

*To the Clerical and Lay Members of the Sixty-third Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.*

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY :

The expiration of another year of official labor calls upon me for a statement of such Episcopal Services as, in the kind Providence of God, I have been permitted to render. The recital of public acts and duties, in a Diocese of such limited extent as our own, is soon made. But the record of anxieties and solitudes, of hopes and fears, of joys and sorrows therein involved, is known only to the Searcher of all hearts. Amid the varied and oft changing experience of the laborer in God's harvest field, its sunlight and its shadows, occasional encouragements and not unfrequent difficulties and disappointments, it is a consolation unspeakable to know that we serve the Lord Christ, and that, if we are not weary in well doing, in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

The account of services performed, which the Canon requires me to render, and of the state of the Diocese is as follows :

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*Churches Visited.*

All the parishes have been visited during the year, as will appear by the subjoined statement. On these visitations I have preached for Ascension church, Brandywine Hundred, three times; in Trinity chapel, Wilmington, twice; in Immanuel church, New Castle, once; in Christ church, Christiana Hundred, twice; in St. James' church, Stanton, twice; at Newport, once; in St. Thomas' church, Newark, three times; in Christ church, Delaware City, three times; in St. Ann's church, Appoquinimink, twice; in St. Peter's church, Smyrna, four times; in Christ church, Dover, once; in Christ church, Milford, twice; in Milton, twice; in St. Peter's, Lewes, four times; St. George's, Indian River, twice; St. Paul's, Georgetown, three times; St. Mark's, Millsboro', twice; Long Neck chapel, once; in Grace church, Baltimore Mills, twice; St. John's, Little Hill, twice; Christ church, Broad Creek, once; in St. Philip's chapel, Laurel, twice; in St. Luke's church, Seaford, once; in all, exclusive of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, forty-eight times.

On my visitations I have baptised one adult and one infant at Lewes, two infants at Seaford, and one at Milton. On several occasions I have administered the Holy Communion.

*Number of Persons Confirmed.*

In Trinity church, Wilmington, 3; in St. Andrew's church, Wilmington, 31; in St. James' church, Stanton, 2; in Christ church, Christiana Hundred, 14; St. Paul's church, Georgetown, 6, one of whom was from St. Luke's, Seaford; Christ church, Delaware City, 2; St. Ann's church, Appoquinimink, 2; St. Peter's church, Smyrna, 2; St. Peter's church, Lewes, 2; Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck, 2; St. Mark's church, Millsboro', 1; Grace church, Baltimore Mills, 1, in all sixty-eight.

*Ordination.*

James Albert Harrell, M. D., of the Diocese of North Carolina, was admitted to the Order of Deacons, in St. Andrew's church, Wilmington, on Quinquagesima Sunday, February 6th, 1853. In this ordination I acted at the request of Bishop Whittingham, of Maryland.

*Clerical Changes.*

The following clergymen have been received into the Diocese since

the last Convention : The Rev. William H. Brooks, Deacon, by letter of dismissal from Bishop Meade of Virginia, accepted by me, August 11th, 1852; the Rev. Charles Breck, by letter from Bishop Potter of Pennsylvania, accepted January 21st, 1853; the Rev. Richard F. Cadle, by letter from Bishop Hopkins of Vermont, accepted April 13th, 1853.

The following clergymen have taken letters of dismissal from the Diocese, viz: The Rev. Edwin M. Van Deusen, to the Diocese of Pennsylvania, October 16th, 1852; the Rev. Walter E. Franklin, to Indiana, November 30th, 1852; the Rev. James W. Hoskins, to North Carolina, December 4th, 1852; the Rev. Lewis P. W. Balch, D. D., to Pennsylvania, April 26th, 1853.

The Rev. Mr. Van Deusen resigned in October last the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Wilmington, and has been succeeded by the Rev. Charles Breck, who entered upon his duties in January, 1853. The Rev. Walter E. Franklin resigned in November last the office of assistant minister of Trinity Church. The Rev. Wm. H. Brooks has accepted the charge of St. Thomas' Church, Newark, and entered upon his duties Sept. 1st, 1852. The Rev. James W. Hoskins resigned his parishes in Sussex county, on the first of January, 1853, and has been succeeded by the Rev. Richard F. Cadle. The Rev. George Hall has resigned the rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, but retains the charge of his other parishes. The Rev. L. P. W. Balch has resigned the charge of the Parish of Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred. The Rev. J. L. McKim has resigned Christ Church, Milford, from April 1st, 1853, and given me notice of his intention to relinquish the charge of St. Paul's, Georgetown, after July 1st, 1853. The parishes at present unsupplied are Ascension, and Grace Church, Brandywine Hd., Christ Church, Milford, and St. Peter's, Lewes. There has been no attempt to hold services during the last year in St. Matthew's, Cedar Creek, and that parish has now nothing more than a nominal existence. There is however some prospect for our Church at a point about midway between Georgetown and Milford, where services have been held by the Rev. Mr. McKim with encouraging appearances.

Some progress has been made in the subscription for the erection of Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred, and I have reason to believe that the commencement of the building will not be much longer de-

layed. Since the parish has been without a Rector it has been generally supplied by the Rev. G. W. Ridgely.

St. Thomas' Church, Newark, has lost by removal from the Diocese, its estimable and efficient Warden, Edward Garrigue, Esq. The acceptable services of the Rev. W. H. Brooks, and the very desirable addition of a convenient parsonage, encourage, however, the hope of the future improvement and prosperity of this parish. Its members, although few in number, have manifested that zeal, energy and liberality which, under the divine blessing, are almost invariably rewarded with success.

It is gratifying to report that increased and more effectual exertions have been made to free some of our largest parishes from the unfortunate incumbrance of debt. St. Andrew's, Wilmington, is now entirely relieved; a special effort made since the last Convention having been crowned with success. A liberal subscription has been also started in Trinity Church for the same object.

The parishes of Little Hill, Broad Creek and Seaford were vacant from January 1st, the date of resignation of the Rev. Mr. Hoskins, until April, when the Rev. Mr. Cadle entered upon his duties. It is gratifying to me that this extensive, and as I believe promising field, is now under the care of so experienced and well proved a laborer. Many years of Mr. Cadle's ministry have been devoted to the missionary work in the true spirit of Christian self-denial and singleness of purpose, and I hope the best results from the employment of his matured energies in this important district. St. John's Church, Little Hill, has had cause to mourn the removal by death of several of its oldest and most valued communicants. Two in particular of its venerable and aged members, ripened in years and grace, have been translated to that better country which they had long desired.

St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, has also been deprived since we last met, of Jacob Raymond, Esq., a member of our last Convention and a Delegate elect to the next General Convention; a gentleman whose unexpected decease has saddened many hearts, and left a large void in the circle in which he was so highly esteemed.

On the 20th of May, I consecrated to the worship of Almighty God Grace Church, near Baltimore Mills. The building is plain, neat and convenient, of good dimensions and well adapted to the wants of the people in that vicinity. This new effort has thus far been greatly

prospered. The attendance on the services of the Missionary, the Rev. George Hall, has been large and encouraging, and the speedy completion of this house of prayer is an earnest of the interest and desire for the ministrations of our Church, on the part of the congregation. If our services here can be regularly and efficiently sustained, we may hope, with God's blessing, to witness the establishment of a flourishing church, and the ingathering of many souls into the fold of Christ.

Being unable through indisposition to preach on this occasion, that duty was performed by the Rev. R. F. Cadle.

With regard to the general condition of the Diocese, I know of nothing very material to be added to the remarks that have been heretofore submitted to you from year to year. There is on the whole an advance and improvement, although not in every portion of the field, nor so rapid and obvious in others as we desire to see. Yet the Lord's hand is not shortened that it cannot save, neither his ear heavy that it cannot hear. And some of our parishes have recently enjoyed very precious and reviving evidence of his Spirit's presence. Let the comfortable gospel of Christ be truly preached, and we may not doubt but that it will be truly received, and truly followed. May the Spirit of grace and supplication be shed down upon us more abundantly, so that we may earnestly call upon the Lord, and he will answer. Let us be faithful to our great Head, and he will not forget or forsake us. Then God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

ALFRED LEE.

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On motion of the Hon. C. S. Layton, the Chair appointed the Rev. Charles Breck and Mr. Alexis I. du Pont to fill the vacancies in the Committee on Church Mutual Aid Association.

On motion of the Rev. G. W. Ridgely, the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund were continued.

On motion of the Hon. C. S. Layton, the Committee on the Glebe of Christ Church, Dover, was also continued.

On motion of the Rev. S. T. Carpenter it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Wardens and Vestry of St. Paul's Church, and also to the citizens of Georgetown, for their kindness and attention to the members.

On motion of Mr. Samuel Baily, the Treasurer was directed to pay

*Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the congregation of — Church —, for the courtesy & hospitality extended to its members during the present session; & that the rector of the parish be requested to give publicity to the same in such manner as he may see fit.*

the Sexton of St. Paul's Church the usual compensation for his attendance during the session of the Convention.

It was on motion,

*Resolved*, That after the reading of the Journal, and the usual religious exercises, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Journal was then read and approved.

After singing the 27th Hymn, and Prayer and Benediction by the Chairman, the Convention adjourned.

Attest,

WILLIAM H. BROOKS, *Secretary*.

*Standing Committee, 1853.*

Rev. S. C. Brinckle, *Chairman*,  
 " Charles Breck,  
 " Breed Batcheller.

Mr. Samuel Baily, *Secretary*,  
 Mr. Solomon M. Curtis.

*Delegates to the General Convention.*

Rev. G. W. Ridgely,  
 " S. T. Carpenter,  
 " George Hall,  
 " S. C. Brinckle,

Capt. S. F. du Pont,  
 Hon. C. S. Layton,  
 J. F. Burton, Esq.,  
 Hon. J. J. Milligan.

*Missionary and Education Committee.*

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman*,

Rev. S. T. Carpenter,  
 " S. C. Brinckle,

Dr. J. F. Wilson,  
 Edward G. Bradford, Esq.,

*Committee on Church Mutual Aid Association.*

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,

Rev. Charles Breck,  
 " H. R. Harrold,

Mr. Alexis I. du Pont,  
 " George W. Cummins.

*Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.*

Hon. James Booth,  
 " Caleb S. Layton,  
 " Edward Wootten,

Dr. J. W. Thomson,  
 William T. Read, Esq.

*Committee on the Glebe of Christ Church, Dover.*

Geo. W. Cummins, Wm. T. Read, Hon. Edward Wootten.

*Treasurer of Convention*, JOHN B. LEWIS, Wilmington.

*Secretary of Convention*, Rev. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, Newark.

# APPENDIX.

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Adult 12; Infant 23; Total	-	-	35
Confirmed,	-	-	31
Communicants—No. In last report,	-	-	142
“ Since removed,	-	-	13
“ Deceased,	-	-	4
“ Suspended,	-	-	1
“ Dropped from the List,	-	-	3
“ Added,	-	-	42
“ Present No.,	-	-	163
Marriages, -	-	-	7
Funerals, -	-	-	15
Sunday Schools—White :—Teachers, male 15, female 19,			34
Scholars, “ 125, “ 150,			275
Colored School, teachers, male 4, female 10,			14
Scholars, “ 51, “ 68,			119
Rector's Bible Class, about	-	-	60
Contributions—Offerings for Missions, &c.,	\$165	66	
“ of Sunday School,	114	88	
			\$280 54
Communion alms, Prayer Book and Tract Society, &c.,			100 00
Episcopal Fund \$75, Convention \$15,			90 00
Extinguishment of Church Debt,			2500 00
Public Services, Sundays, 100; other days, 30.			

**REMARKS:—**The past year has been one of multiplied mercies to this Church, and its conventional report would be incomplete without a thankful and devout recognition of the exceeding goodness of the Lord. His favoring hand has been over us. We trust also that his Holy Spirit has been with us. The Church has been prospered temporally. The incumbrance of debt, which has weighed upon it so heavily for many years, has been, by a liberal and energetic effort of the congregation, entirely removed, and we now owe no other debt than that of Christian love. But infinitely more precious have been God's spiritual mercies. The pastor's heart has been cheered by manifest indications of a genuine work of divine grace, investing the word and ordinances of Christ with unusual solemnity and power, and inclining the hearts of many, chiefly among the young, to welcome a Saviour's grace and consecrate themselves to his service. Our Sunday Schools have now grown to the capacity of our accommodations. From the fact that the supply of willing and punctual teachers is now adequate, there is little doubt that if we had the room the number of scholars might be still very considerably increased. The success of the colored Sunday School has fully equalled the expectations of its founders. Teachers have with great readiness volunteered their aid, and the attendance

and interest of the scholars has been steadily improving. The Tract Association has been pursuing its useful and unobtrusive labors, and has recently supplied the County Alms House with tracts, and Prayer books of a large type adapted to the use of the aged. It is our fond hope that through the blessing of God, and the consistent and useful lives of his professed people in this Church, the mercies of the year past may be the earnest of still more abundant grace in years to come.

ALFRED LEE, Rector.

TO THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.  
TRINITY CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

By the Rev. Edward M. Van Deusen, Baptisms, infants 12, adult 1, total 13; marriages 3, burials 9.

I entered upon the charge of this Parish about the first of the year. Baptisms, adult, 1, infants, 4, total, 5; confirmed, 3; marriages, 2; burials, 4; communicants, added 4, present number 130; public services, on Sunday 38, other days 47, total 85; Sunday scholars 80; collections, Episcopal Fund, \$100; Convention fund, \$15; Missions, \$20 24; Sunday School Library, \$18 75; Poor, \$147 58; other purposes, \$158 34; total \$459 91. The debt against the Church and Parsonage has been reduced \$1500.

CHARLES BRECK.

IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE.

Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Marriage,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61
Sunday School Teachers,	} About the same!							
" " Scholars,								

Contributions and appropriations to various Parochial and Diocesan purposes have been made as usual; and, with the exception of an increased number of communicants, but little change worthy of notice has taken place since the last Convention.

THOMAS F. BILLOPP, Rector.

TO THE RT. REV. A. LEE, D. D.

I continued to officiate every Sunday afternoon in the School House at Neaman's Creek, for the Parish of the Church of the Ascension, until the first of July. At that time I went to Washington, D. C., and was taken ill. The illness and convalescence lasted several months.

I have resigned the Rectorship of the Church of the Ascension, Brandywine Hundred.

The subscription towards the erection of a church had progressed very well, and a few hundred dollars in addition to the amounts already subscribed and promised, will pay for a neat and comfortable edifice.

LEWIS P. W. BALCH.

## REPORT OF REV. G. W. RIDGELY.

I have held regular service during the greater part of the year past at the "Union." For the last few weeks I have been officiating statedly at Naaman's Creek. The attendance is good at both places. A Missionary residing in the midst of the people would soon be able to gather a large congregation at the former. At the latter a Church edifice will probably be erected, under very encouraging auspices, during the ensuing summer and fall.

## CHRIST CHURCH, CHRISTIANA HUNDRED.

Baptisms—Adult 2, Infant 28, total	-	-	-	-	30
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	14
Communicants—Removed,	-	-	-	-	3
Added,	-	-	-	-	25
Present number,	-	-	-	-	48
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	7
Children catechised, about	-	-	-	-	50
Bible Class during part of the year, about	-	-	-	-	30
Contributions.—Episcopal Fund \$24, Convention \$6, Missionary purposes \$100 65, other purposes \$38 09; total \$168 74.					
Public Services on Sundays 52, other days 3 <sup>1</sup> ; total 55.					

S. C. BRINCKLE, Rector.

REMARKS.—It may be mentioned that in addition to the above services, I continue, as heretofore, to assist the Bishop on Sunday mornings; the service at Christ Church being in the afternoon, except on every fourth Sunday, when we have the Communion, in the afternoon of which day I usually hold service in a neighboring school house. May the good Lord who hitherto hath helped us, continue His gracious influences, without which we labor but in vain, who would build the house.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, STANTON.

Communicants,	-	-	-	-	12
Additions,	-	-	-	-	3
Confirmations,	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	7
Sunday School scholars,	-	-	-	-	42
Services at St. James', fifty-six, at Newport 24.					
Contributions for Diocesan missions \$4 67, Convention fund \$5, Episcopal fund \$5.					

B. BATCHELLER, Rector.

## ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEWARK.

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	13
Communicants—Removed 2, added 4; present number 18.					
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	1
Sunday School—Teachers, male 2, female 4,					
Scholars, " 13, " 7,	-	-	-	-	20
Contributions.—Missionary Offerings in church \$23 08, do. of Sunday School \$4 50, Bishop White Prayer Book Society \$6 50, Episcopal and Convention Funds \$14, Parish Library and Sunday School \$9 91, other purposes \$40 30.					

Public Services on each Sunday, twice ; other days 5.

The above report dates from September 5th, 1852, at which time I assumed the charge of the Parish.

Since then a rectory has been purchased at a cost of \$1100 00, of which sum a considerable part yet remains unpaid.

WILLIAM H. BROOKS, Minister.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH, MIDDLETOWN.

Baptised—adults 2, infants 11,	-	-	-	13
Confirmed,	-	-	-	2

Communicants—Removed 1; added 7; present No. 50.

Sunday school, which is usually suspended during the winter, has been re-opened ; owing to the circumstance that the parishoners mostly reside at a distance from the Church, the school is generally small. There are two well-selected libraries of choice books, one for the Parish, and the other for the Sunday School.

REMARKS.—Since the last report, the Rectory has been completed, and the Rector has entered on its occupancy. Notwithstanding the unfaithfulness of the Contractor, in neglecting to carry out the details and specifications of the plan, the building reflects great credit on the architect, Mr. John Notman of Philadelphia. It is universally admired, both as a most commodious and tasteful specimen of cottage architecture. Its location could not have been more fitly chosen. At the recent visitation of the Bishop of the Diocese, a brother clergyman said, "It almost seems as-if this spot had been intended for the Rectory." Thus, the object and enterprise of the "Ladies Sewing Circle" of this Parish, which has been so long entertained, has been carried to a successful issue. To God be all the praise.

HIRAM R. HARROLD, Rector.

CHRIST CHURCH, DELAWARE CITY.

Baptised—Infant	-	-	-	-	1
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	2

Communicants—Died 1, Added 2, Present No. 5.

The Sunday school has not yet been resumed this spring for want of teachers. An effort will, however, be made on the last Sunday of this month (May.)

REMARKS.—The Rector of this Parish continues to officiate here on every Sunday afternoon ; the former part of the day being devoted to St. Ann's Church. A debt on the building of between five and six hundred dollars remains unliquidated, and is felt as a serious inconvenience to a Parish of such small means. But our trust is in God, who can control the hearts and wills of such as are able to give to those who need.

HIRAM R. HARROLD, Rector.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA.

Baptism—Infant,	-	-	-	-	1
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	2

Communicants—Added 5, removed 2, present number 17.

Funeral,	-	-	-	-	1
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Sunday School—Teachers, male 3, female 3, total	-	6
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Scholars, male 17, female 20, total	-	37
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Contributions.—Missionary \$11 35, Episcopal and Convention funds \$12.

**REMARKS.**—Sunday Services as usual in the morning. The Bible class was continued during the winter with encouraging success. Our week-day services were dropt from want of encouragement. In external prosperity there has been apparently some advancement, by the blessing of God. The system of renting the pews for the last two years has done well. The amount of salary has been more than doubled, since it was commenced. There has been a considerable increase of the regular congregation. The number of communicants has more than trebled, in the last three years. There is now an earnest need of an enlargement of the church.

SAMUEL TONKIN CARPENTER.

**CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER.**—The Lord's Supper has been celebrated for the first time, after many years of neglect, in this venerable Parish, to 4 communicants. Some farther additions to the friends of the church have been made by removals into the Parish. Regular services have been continued every Sunday afternoon during the winter, but the appointments for the present are but once in two weeks. Collections have been made a few times as authorized by the Missionary Committee, for the support of the Missionary, which have amounted to \$4 93. About \$45 have been expended in repairs and improvements upon the church edifice.

S. T. CARPENTER.

*At Church, Fairfield.*  
[no school]  
**ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, INDIAN RIVER, AND THE CHAPEL OF THE COMFORTER.**

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Confirmations,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Added 2, present number	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sunday School—Teachers 5, Scholars 30.							
Contributions.—Missionary \$5 30, Convention Fund \$5.							
Public Services on Sundays 42, other days 2.							

GEORGE HALL.

**ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MILLSBORO'.**

Baptisms—Infant 4, Adult 1,	-	-	-	-	-	5
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Died 1, added 3, present number	-	-	-	-	-	9
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Contributions—Missionary \$3 50, Convention Fund \$5.						
Public Services on Sundays 23.						

GEORGE HALL.

We have been compelled to close the Sunday School for the present. Some of our teachers have left for other parts of the country; others have moved out of town, and consider the distance too great to give their attendance.

**GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE MILLS.**

Confirmations,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Added 2, present number	-	-	-	-	-	5
Contribution.—Missionary \$2. Public Services on Sundays 16.						

GEORGE HALL

I resigned St. Peter's, Lewes, in November last. Up to the time of my resignation I performed the following services: Baptisms 5, Funerals 2, officiated in the church 11 times.

GEORGE HALL.

**CHRIST CHURCH, BROAD CREEK, AND ST. PHILIP'S CHAPEL, LAUREL.**

Public services, on Sundays 10, on other days 7. Communicants 16. Funeral 1. Sunday School, scholars about 11, teachers 3.

The Bishop visited these Churches and preached in them on the afternoon and evening of Sunday, the 22d of May.

Contribution for the Convention Fund \$5.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LITTLE HILL.**

Public services, on Sundays 4, on other days 3.

Communicants.—Funerals 2. Died 4. Removed 4. Present Number 26.

Contribution for Diocesan Missions \$1 50, and for the Convention fund \$5.

The Bishop visited this Church, preached and administered the Lord's Supper on the 21st of May.

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD.**

Public services on Sundays 5. Baptism of children, (by the Bishop,) 2.—Communicants 15. Contributions for Diocesan Missions \$3, and for the Convention fund \$5.

The Bishop visited this Church and preached on the morning of the 22d May.

The undersigned took charge of the above mentioned Churches on the 17th of April last; but having performed some services in them during the month of March, he has included them in this report.

RICHARD F. CADLE.

To THE RIGHT REV.

*the Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware.*

The undersigned would respectfully report that during the last Diocesan year he has been engaged in performing services in Pennsylvania and Rhode Island. In the former, he was, from Trinity Sunday until the fall, in charge of the Church of the Nativity, Philadelphia; since then he has been officiating in the Diocese of Rhode Island, and is now in charge of St. Michael's church, Bristol, R. I.

WM. H. TRAPNELL.

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR:

I have but seldom been called upon for any clerical services during the past year. I have occasionally assisted Mr. Hall. The months of November and December were passed at St. Augustine, Florida, where I officiated regularly in Trinity Church; their pastor being disabled by sickness.

D. H. McILVAINE.

Received from Christ Church, Milford, St. Paul's, George.  
Church, Lewes.

The following is the amount of Assessment on each Parish in the Diocese, for the support of the Episcopate, which is to be remitted annually to the Treasurer of the Convention in accordance with Canon XV :

St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	\$81 50
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	65 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	-	-	-	30 50
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	-	24 00
St. James', Stanton,	-	-	-	-	6 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	-	-	9 00
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	-	-	25 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	2 50
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	-	8 50
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	-	-	-	15 00
St. George's, Indian River,	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	-	-	-	-	4 50
Grace, Baltimore Mills,	-	-	-	-	2 50
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	-	-	7 50
St. John's, Little Hill,	-	-	-	-	13 00
Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	-	4 50
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	-	-	6 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	-	-	8 00

The following table exhibits the sum which each Parish is required to contribute to the Convention Fund in accordance with Canon X :

✓ St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	\$15 00
✓ Trinity, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	15 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	-	-	20 00
✓ St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	-	-	-	6 00
✓ St. John's, Little Hill,	-	-	-	-	6 00
✓ St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. James', Stanton,	-	-	-	-	5 00
✓ St. George's, Indian River,	-	-	-	-	5 00
✓ St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	-	5 00
✓ Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	-	5 00
✓ St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	-	-	5 00
✓ St. Mark's, Millsboro',	-	-	-	-	5 00
✓ St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	-	-	5 00
✓ Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Matthew's, Cedar Creek,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	5 00
✓ Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Grace Church, Brandywine,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Church of the Ascension, Brandywine,	-	-	-	-	5 00
✓ Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	-	-	-	-	5 00

*DR. John B. Lewis, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

1852.

May 25,	To balance in Treasury,	\$16 00
26,	" cash from Christ Church, Milford,	5 00
" "	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,	5 00
" "	" " St. George's Church, Indian River,	5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,	6 00
" "	" " St. Mark's, Millsboro,	5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's, Smyrna,	5 00
" "	" " St. James', Stanton,	5 00
" "	" " St. Paul's, Georgetown,	5 00
June 9,	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,	10 00
July 30,	" " Trinity, Wilmington,	15 00
Aug. 16,	" " St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	15 00
1853.		
May 14,	" " St. James', Stanton,	5 00
20,	" " St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	15 00
" "	" " Trinity, Wilmington,	15 00
23,	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	6 00
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		\$138 00

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1852.

June 9,	By cash paid Rev. T. F. Billopp, by order of Convention,	\$10 00
" "	" " Rev. T. F. Billopp, allowed by standing Committee,	8 00
15,	By cash paid Rev. W. E. Franklin, balance allowed by standing committee,	8 00
28,	By cash paid Sexton of St. Peter's Church, by order Convention,	2 00
Aug. 6,	By cash paid John B. Porter, for Printing Journal of Conven- tion of 1851, by order of Convention,	41 50
Nov. 12,	By cash paid Rev. J. L. McKim, balance allowed by Standing Committee,	8 00
1853.		
May 24,	To balance in Treasury,	60 50
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		\$138 00

**DR. John B. Lewis, Treasurer, in account with the Episcopal Fund.**

**1852.**

May 25,	To balance in Treasury,					\$19 00
26,	To cash from Trinity church, Wilmington, for 1851,					71 00
"	"	"	St. Thomas' church, Newark,			13 00
"	"	"	St. Peter's, Synrna,			4 50
"	"	"	St. James'. Stanton,			2 50
"	"	"	St. Paul's, Georgetown,			6 50
"	"	"	Immanuel, New Castle.			27 50
June 7,	"	"	Trinity church, Wilmington,			28 62
July 30,	"	"	do do do			7 50
Aug. 24,	"	"	do do do			5 00
Sept. 23,	"	"	do do do			5 00

1853.

May 11,	"	"	Trinity church, Wilmington,	25	50
14,	"	"	St. James', Stanton,	4	50
20,	"	"	Trinity church, Wilmington,	15	00
"	"	"	do do	9	50
"	"	"	St. Andrew's church, Wilmington,	75	00
23,	"	"	Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	18	00
24,	"	"	Trinity Church, Wilmington,	4	00

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**1852.**

June 21,	By cash paid Right Rev. Bishop Lee,								\$150 00
1853.									
April	"	"	"	"	"				75 00
May 3,	"	"	"	"	"				40 12
24,	"	Balance in Treasury,							76 50

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NAMES OF PARISHES.	BAPTISMS.		COMMUNICANTS.					SUNDAY SCHOOL.					CONTRIBUTIONS.					RECTORS.												
	Infant.	Adult.	Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Added.	Present Number.	Marriages.	Funerals.	Teachers.			Scholars.			Missions.		Episcopal Fund.	Convention Fund.	Other purposes.	Total.								
											Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.														
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	23	12	35	31	4	13	42	163	7	15	19	29	48	176	218	394	280	54	75	15	260	670	54	Rev. Alfred Lee,						
do.	16	2	18	3			4	130	5	13						80	20	24	100	00	15	00	1824	67	1969	91	Rev. Charles Brock,			
Immanuel, New Castle,	6		6				6	61	1	4	6	10	16	65	45	100	not	sp	ceded	10	00			10	00			T. F. Billop,		
Ascension, Brandywine,	28	2	30	14		2	25	48	3	7						80	100	65	18	00	6	00	38	09	162	74			Samuel C. Brinckle,	
Christ Church, Christians Hd.,							3	12		7						42	4	67	5	00	5	00			14	67			Breed Batcheller,	
St. James', Stanton,							4	18		1						20	27	53	9	00	5	00	57	81	98	84			William H. Brock,	
St. Thomas', Newark, Vt.,	13		13	2		2	7	50			2	4	6	13	7	20													Hiram R. Harold,	
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	14	2	16	2		1	7	17			3	8	6	17	20	37	11	85	7	00	5	00			23	35			Samuel T. Carpenter,	
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	1		1				2	5																					Hiram R. Harold,	
Christ Church, Delaware City,	1		1	21			2	9											2	50	5	00			5	00			John L. McKim,	
Christ Church, Milford,								12											15	00	6	00			24					
St. Paul's, Georgetown,				5				30																						
St. Peter's, Lewes,	6	1	7	2				20	2	1						30	5	30			5	00			10	30			George Hall,	
St. George's, Indian River,	8		8	2			2	9																					ditto.	
Chapel of the Comforter L. N.,	4	1	5	1			3	15																					Richard P. Cade,	
St. Mark's, Millsboro',	2		2					16								11													ditto.	
St. Luke's, Seaford,								26																					ditto.	
Christ Church, Broad Creek,								5																					ditto.	
St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel,								4																					ditto.	
St. John's, Little Hill,								5																					ditto.	
Grace, Baltimore Mills,								4																					ditto.	
St. John Baptist, Alton,								2																					George Hall,	
Grace Church, Brandywine,								4																						
Christ Church, Dover,																														
	119	20	139	68	10	25	169	650	13	52	30	46	84	261	230	794	468	71	231	50	102	604	4580	671	5322	25				B. T. Carpenter.

\* According to last year's report.

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**CONSTITUTION**  
**OF THE**  
**PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,**  
**IN THE**  
**State of Delaware.**

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**ARTICLE I.**

*Of acceding to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention.*

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes and adopts the general Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

**ARTICLE II.**

*Of the Meetings of the Diocesan Convention.*

The Annual Convention of this Diocese shall be held on the last Wednesday in May, in each year, at such place as a previous Convention may designate. The time of meeting may be altered, from time to time, by the Convention. And special Conventions may be called by the Bishop, or, if there be none, by the Standing Committee; one month's previous notice being given.

**ARTICLE III.**

*Of Members of the Convention.*

The Convention shall be composed of the officiating Ministers regularly settled in some congregation in this Diocese; and of Lay Members, consisting of two Delegates from each congregation, to be chosen by the Vestry thereof; or, if there be no Vestry, by the congregation. And clergymen canonically resident in this Diocese, who are engaged as Professors, or Instructors of youth, in any Diocesan Institution, or in any Academy or Seminary of learning, officially recommended by the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee; and also Missionaries, under the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, and Chaplains in the Navy or Army of the United States, may be members of the Convention.

Provided, that all such Parochial Clergymen shall have been actually and personally resident, within this State, for not less than six calendar months, next before the meeting of the Convention, and that all such clergymen, engaged in the work of instruction only, and Chaplains, shall have been actually and personally resident in this State, not less than twelve calendar months, next before such meeting.

The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, whether belonging to this Diocese, or having charge of it provisionally, shall have a seat and vote in the Convention; and one of them shall preside. If there be none, the Convention shall elect for its President one of the Presbyters attending.

No Clergyman of advanced years, or infirm health, who has been once entitled to a seat in the Convention, shall lose his right thereto by reason of having ceased from the active duties of his calling.

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### *Of a Quorum.*

Two members of the clerical, and six of the lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### *Of the deliberations of the Convention.*

In all matters that shall come before the Convention, the clergy and laity shall deliberate in one body: but if upon any question, it be required by two members, the two orders shall vote separately; (the lay delegation from each parish being entitled to but one vote, when required by the delegates of two parishes,) and the concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

#### ARTICLE VI.

##### *Of the Secretary of the Convention.*

A Secretary shall be chosen, immediately upon the assembling of the Annual Convention, from among the members thereof, by a joint ballot, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, to publish the annual Journal under the supervision of the Bishop, or presiding officer of the Convention, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Con-

vention, which may be in his possession. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of each Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal. He shall also transmit to every General Convention a certificate signed by himself, containing a list of the clergymen in this Diocese, and the amount of funds paid, or secured to be paid, (distinguishing them,) to the General Theological Seminary; and also a like certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies. It shall also be his duty to give at least one month's notice, in one or more newspapers published in this State, of the time and place of holding every Convention, whether stated or special.

.. When a vacancy occurs, during the recess of Convention, in the office of Secretary, the Secretary of the Standing Committee shall perform the duties of the office, until the next meeting of the Convention-

## ARTICLE VII.

### *Of the Opening of the Convention.*

Every Convention shall be opened by the celebration of divine service, and of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his Clergy to preach, at the opening of the Convention. If there be no Bishop, or none having provisional charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall appoint the preacher.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### *Of the Standing Committee.*

Before the adjournment of each Annual Convention a Standing Committee shall be appointed, by a concurrent ballot of both orders, which shall consist of three of the clergy, and two of the laity. This committee shall continue in office till the end of the next Annual Convention, or until their successors are duly appointed. In case of a vacancy occurring, by death or otherwise, the remaining members of the committee, shall, by ballot, supply the same. The Standing Committee shall, as soon as may be after their appointment, elect from their own body a president and secretary; and if either of these offices become vacant, the vacancy shall, without delay, be filled by another election. The president shall be a presbyter.

**ARTICLE IX.***Of the Election of a Bishop.*

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in Convention, in the following manner. The order of the clergy shall nominate and appoint, by ballot, some fit and qualified presbyter for that office; and the votes of two-thirds of that order shall be requisite to constitute a choice: and thereupon, such appointment shall be presented to the order of lay delegates, and be considered by them; and if, on a ballot it should appear that the person so nominated be approved of by two-thirds of the lay order, he shall then be declared to be duly elected. And upon a vacancy occurring in the Episcopal Office in this Church, by death or otherwise, such vacancy shall be supplied by an election in the manner before prescribed. No election for a Bishop shall be held, unless there be present at the time three-fourths of all the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and delegates from three-fourths of all the congregations in union with the same, and contributing to the Convention fund.

**ARTICLE X.***Of the trial of Clergymen.*

**SECTION 1.** Any Presbyter or Deacon of this Diocese may be presented for trial, for any crime or other offence, as provided in Canon XXXVII, of 1832, of the General Convention.\*

**SEC. 2.** Every such presentment shall be made, in writing, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, in case of a vacancy in the office of Bishop, to the president of the Standing Committee.

**SEC. 3.** A presentment shall specify, with clearness and certainty, the offence or offences charged, and shall be signed by the persons making it.

**\*CANONS OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1832.****CANON XXXVII.***Of Offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished.*

**SECTION 1.** Every minister shall be liable to presentment and trial, for any crime or gross immorality, for disorderly conduct, for drunkenness, for profane swearing, for frequenting places most liable to be abused to licentiousness, and for violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, or of the Diocese to which he belongs; and on being found guilty, he shall be admonished, suspended or degraded, according to the Canons of the Diocese in which the trial takes place, until otherwise provided for by the General Convention.

**SEC. 4.** A presentment shall be made by a majority of the Vestry, in a Vestry meeting duly convened, of the parish with which the person accused is connected; or, if he be not connected with any parish, in which he resides; or, if he do not reside within the limits of any parish, of the parish nearest to his place of residence; or by four or more male communicants of the same; or by two presbyters of this diocese; a presentment being always made by one of the above classes, exclusive of the others; and a Deacon not being permitted to unite in a presentment.

**SEC. 5.** Upon the receipt of any such presentment, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, if he shall deem it advisable, after consultation with the Standing Committee, or with the President of the Standing Committee; as the case may be, after such advisement, to take measures for trial, and to furnish a copy of said presentment to the accused, giving him notice of the time and place of trial.

**SEC. 6.** The Bishop shall thereupon summon all the Presbyters of this Diocese, except such as may have presented, to meet at some convenient place within the same, on some day not less than thirty days after the date of said summons; of which Presbyters, any three or more attending, shall be the Court for the trial of the party accused, to decide upon his guilt or innocence, and, if found guilty, to recommend a sentence by a majority of voices.

**SEC. 7.** A copy of the presentment, and a notice of the summons of the said Presbyters, shall be served upon the party accused, at least twenty days before the day appointed for trial, by delivering the same to him personally, or by leaving the same at his place of residence, or his last place of residence in this State, if he have left the same, or can not be found.

**SEC. 8.** The judgment of the Court shall be delivered to the Bishop with the records of the trial, and the sentence recommended; and the Bishop may pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided such sentence shall not exceed in severity that recommended by the Court of trial; and his sentence shall be final; or, if the Bishop deem it necessary to justice, he may order a new trial, to be held as hereinbefore directed.

**SEC. 9.** If there be no Bishop, the sentence of the Court shall be submitted to some neighboring Bishop, who may either order a new trial, or ratify and pronounce the said sentence, which shall then be final.

**Sec. 10.** Witnesses for the prosecution, and for the defence, at the request of the party accused, shall be summoned by the said Court, for a full and impartial hearing of the whole matter.

**Sec. 11.** The party accused shall have a right to be present at the trial, and to be heard in his defence; and may avail himself of the aid of counsel.

**Sec. 12.** The records of all proceedings on the presentment of a clergyman shall, after the final decision, be delivered to the Secretary of the Standing Committee, to be preserved with their papers.

**Sec. 13.** If the accused be acquitted, the Bishop or President of the Standing Committee, as the case may require, shall give him a certificate of acquittal, embracing a copy of the presentment; and he shall not be subject to presentment again, upon the same charge.

## ARTICLE XI.

### *Of a Clergyman accused by public rumor.*

**Section 1.** Whenever, from public rumor or otherwise, the Bishop shall have reason to believe that a clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offence or misconduct, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an investigation, it shall be his duty to appoint two presbyters, as a committee of inquiry, to examine into the truth of such rumors or allegations, according to the provisions of Sec. 2, of Canon xxxvii, of the General Convention, of 1832.\*

**Sec. 2.** Should the crime, offence or misdemeanor, of which said clergyman is accused, be found supported, in whole or in part, upon such inquiry, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless upon consultation with the Standing Committee, he shall deem such finding insufficient, to proceed to take measures for trial, as is provided in Article X. of the Constitution.

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\*Sec. 2. If any minister of this church shall be accused, by public rumor, of discontinuing all exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship, or of the holy eucharist, according to the offices of this church, or of being guilty of scandalous, disorderly or immoral conduct, or of violating the Canons, or preaching or inculcating heretical doctrine, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended or degraded as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions and Canons.

## ARTICLE XII.

*Of the admission of new Parishes.*

Any Protestant Episcopal congregation within this State, duly organized, but not in union with the Convention of this Diocese at the time of ordaining this Constitution, shall be entitled to the entire benefit thereof, as soon as they shall signify their ratification of it, either in writing, or by sending lay delegates as members of the Convention; and such congregation shall thereafter be benefitted and bound by every rule or canon which shall be framed by any Convention, acting under the Constitution, for the government of this Church in its ecclesiastical concerns.

## ARTICLE XIII.

*Of Ministers, Members of Vestries.*

When not forbidden by the charter of any congregation, the presbyter who is settled as the minister of the parish, shall be a member of the vestry thereof, and, when present, shall preside at its meetings.

## ARTICLE XIV.

*Of the Mode in which the Constitution may be Changed.*

This Constitution shall be unalterable, except in the following manner: A proposition for any change shall be introduced in writing and considered in Convention, and, if approved of, the same shall be published at large in the Journal of the Convention; and, if again approved of in the next ensuing Convention, by a majority of the two orders, voting thereon separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.

**C A N O N S**  
**OF THE**  
**PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**IN THE**  
**State of Delaware.**

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**CANON I.**

*A List to be made of the Clergy.*

**Sec. 1.** Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this diocese, the Bishop shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures or parishes, or stations as missionaries, or of the colleges, academies, or general seminaries of learning in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in parishes, missions, or institutions of learning as above mentioned, their places of residence only, distinguishing those who are entitled to seats in the Convention.

**Sec. 2.** The right of any clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention, shall, if disputed, be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself; whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

**Sec. 3.** If there be no Bishop, or none having provisional charge of this diocese, the president of the Standing Committee shall prepare the said list, and lay it before the Convention.

**CANON II.**

*Certificates of Lay Delegates.*

The appointment of a lay delegate to the Convention of this diocese shall be certified in writing by the rector of the parish of which he is a representative, or by one of the wardens, or by the clerk or secretary of the vestry of such church; and no other certificate of such appointment shall be allowed or received. And no lay delegate shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention, unless he be eligible to the office of vestryman of the church which he claims to represent.

## CANON III.

*Of the Treasurer of the Convention.*

**Sec. 1.** There shall be appointed by the Convention a Treasurer of the Church in this State, who shall be a man of good character and responsibility. He shall be removable at the pleasure of the Convention; but, unless so removed, he shall continue in office until a successor is appointed. He shall keep a fair and exact account of all moneys received and paid by him, and shall lay before the Convention, annually, or oftener if required, a full and accurate statement of his accounts.—He shall pay no money but by order of the Convention, and shall, in all things relating to his office, conform to their rules and directions.

**Sec. 2.** In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, during the recess of the Convention, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Standing Committee; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention.

## CANON IV.

*Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.*

**Sec. 1.** Whereas by the XXIXth Canon of the General Convention of 1832, it is made the duty of every minister to keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages and funerals, within his cure; agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the diocese where his cure lies—it is hereby ordered, that the record shall specify the name and time of birth of the child baptized, with the names of the parents and sponsors; the name of the adult baptized; the names of the persons confirmed; the names of all the communicants within his cure as nearly as can be ascertained; the names of the parties married, and the authority under which the rite was celebrated; the names of the persons buried; and also the time when each rite was performed, or each new communicant admitted. These records shall be kept by the minister, in a book to be provided for that purpose by the vestry of each church; which book shall be the parish register, and shall be preserved by the vestry as a part of the records of the church.

Each minister shall also keep, as far as practicable, a list of all the families and adult persons within his cure, to remain for the use of his successor, and to be continued by him, and by the future ministers of the parish.

**Sec. 2.** And whereas, by the VIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1841, it is made the duty of each minister to present or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention,

to the Bishop, or when there is none to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his cure, and of all other matters that may throw light on its condition: it is hereby further *ordered*, that in reporting the number of communicants, the minister shall state, besides the whole number at the time, the number of additions, removals, and deaths, since the last report.

**Sec. 3.** The above report shall also mention the number of teachers and Scholars in Sunday Schools, and other Catechumens connected with the parish—and the amount of contributions for religious and charitable objects, specifying them.

**Sec. 4.** When a parish is destitute of a minister, the register contemplated by this canon shall be kept by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose. And the annual parochial report shall be presented or forwarded, as ordered in Sec. 2, by the Wardens.

#### **CANON V.**

##### *Of the Report to the General Convention.*

A committee of the Convention of this diocese shall be appointed at the stated meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft with the advice and approbation of the Bishop if there be one, a report of the state of the church in this diocese, to be presented to the General Convention.

#### **CANON VI.**

##### *Of the Deputies to the General Convention.*

**Sec. 1.** Deputies to the General Convention shall be chosen by the concurrent ballot of the clerical and lay votes, at every stated Convention of this diocese; and their appointment shall continue until the next stated Convention, or until others are chosen in their places.

**Sec. 2.** Should any deputy elected discover, one month before the meeting of the General Convention, his inability to attend, he shall notify the President of the Standing Committee of such inability, and it shall be the duty of the Committee to supply the vacancy occurring in this or in any other way, before the meeting of the Convention.

**Sec. 3.** Should a vacancy occur, by death or otherwise, in the deputation to the General Convention, it shall be supplied by the concurrent vote of the remaining clerical and lay deputies, when it shall be practicable.

**Sec. 4.** Clerical deputies to the General Convention may present an

account of their expenses, in their travel and attendance, to the Standing Committee, who shall make a reasonable allowance for the same, to be paid by the Treasurer of the Convention out of its funds.

## CANON VII.

### *Of Lay Discipline.*

SEC. 1. If a layman, repelled from the Holy Communion according to the rubric, shall complain thereof to the Bishop according to Canon XLII of the General Convention of 1832, the Bishop (or his assistant Bishop,) whether belonging to the diocese or having provisional charge thereof, shall, unless he restore him to the Communion according to said canon, appoint two disinterested clergymen, and two disinterested laymen who are communicants, to inquire into and try the case. If they report to the Bishop that the repelled person should be restored, the Bishop shall so direct; and no minister of this diocese shall deny him the holy Communion. If they report otherwise, or make no report within three months from their appointment, the repulsion shall continue in force.

If this judicatory for the trial of a layman shall be equally divided concerning the guilt of the accused, or the propriety of restoring him to the Communion, they may elect as umpire any other disinterested male communicant in this diocese, whether clerical or lay, and make their report within three months as aforesaid. And, at any time after conviction, if the judicatory do not define the term of the repulsion, the Bishop, (or his assistant Bishop,) or the minister of the parish being a presbyter, may restore the repelled person to the Holy Communion, according to the rubric.

SEC. 2. Communicants neglecting the Holy Communion or the public worship of the Church for the space of six months, without a reason satisfactory to their parochial minister, or leading inconsistent and immoral lives, may, after admonition, be suspended by the minister from the Communion; and if, within a reasonable time, there is no satisfactory proof given of reformation, their names shall be removed from the Parochial Register of Communicants; and they shall be considered as repelled, and notified thereof. Notice in all such cases to be given to the Bishop according to the provision of the rubric concerning repulsion, and the same proceedings may be had as provided in Sec. 1.

**Sec. 3.** A layman under repulsion from the Holy Communion, if visited with extreme or mortal sickness, may be re-admitted to that ordinance without a trial, or after conviction, if the presbyter attending him deem him truly penitent, and in charity with all men.

### **CANON VIII.**

#### *Of Trials and Penalties.*

**Sec. 1.** All trials, whether of clergymen or laymen, shall be in public, if the party accused so require, unless the judicatory are of opinion that such publicity will occasion unholy scoffing, and be contrary to edification. When a public trial is refused, the accused may have present any six male communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and the party presenting or prosecuting may have present the same number of other such communicants.

**Sec. 2.** Witnesses at any trial may, if demanded by either party, be put on oath. Written evidence may be admitted, on either side, the other party having had sufficient notice of the time and place of taking the same, and being allowed to attend when it was taken; and the persons examined for the written evidence may also be put on oath.

**Sec. 3.** Counsel shall be allowed the accused, if he require it; in which case, the party presenting or prosecuting shall be allowed the same privilege. And every judicatory may have counsel, as they shall desire.

### **CANON IX.**

#### *Of the Missionary and Education Committee.*

**Sec. 1.** At each Annual Convention there shall be appointed a Committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and two clergymen and two laymen elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee, to which shall be entrusted the charge of conducting the operations of the Church in behalf of Missions, Education, and benevolent objects connected therewith. This committee shall elect a Secretary and Treasurer, and report their doings to the next stated Convention, and their appointment shall continue until the next annual Convention, or until others are chosen in their places.

**Sec. 2.** It shall be the duty of every Parish to raise contributions for the purposes designated in the following section, by collection or otherwise, monthly or oftener, which shall be remitted quarterly to the Treasurer.

in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; and lay readers shall, in all cases, conform to the provisions of Canon XI of 1832, of the General Convention.

### **CANON XIII.**

#### *Of Trustees of Bishop's Fund, &c.*

At the present, and at each future annual Convention, five Trustees of the "fund for the support of a Bishop, and to aid missionaries and necessitous ministers, their widows and children," shall be elected by concurrent ballot of both orders: to continue in office until the next annual Convention thereafter, or until their successors are duly appointed. In case of vacancy, by death or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the remaining Trustees to notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese thereof, and it shall be the duty of the said committee to supply such vacancy, as soon as they shall have knowledge of the same, by such notice, or otherwise.

### **CANON XIV.**

#### *Of Elections.*

In all Elections, not otherwise provided for and regulated by the constitution of the P. E. Church in this State, the votes of a majority of all the members present; or, if voting by orders, of a majority of all present of the respective orders, shall be necessary to a choice.

### **CANON XV.**

#### *Of Episcopal Contributions.*

It shall be the duty of the Wardens of every Parish, to collect at the rate of fifty cents annually for each communicant therein, together with such other voluntary contributions as may be made to them for the same object, either privately or by public collections for that object, in their respective parishes, and pay the same over annually to the Treasurer of the Convention for the time being, subject to the Bishop's order, for his own private use.

### **CANON XVI.**

#### *Of Alterations and Additions to the Canons.*

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention except at a stated meeting, nor (unless by unanimous consent) until it shall have been reported on by a committee. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case, the same, (unless negatived by a majority of the votes,) shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

### **CANON XVII.**

#### *Repealing former Canons.*

All former Canons of this Diocese, not included in these Canons, are hereby repealed.

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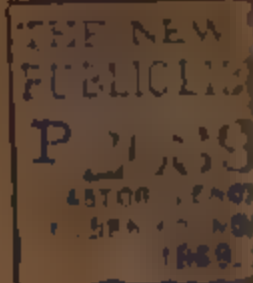
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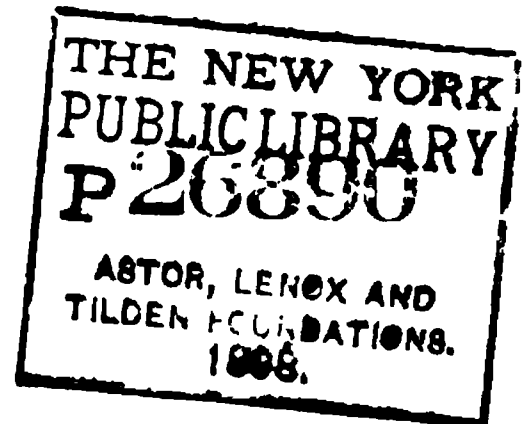
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# LIST

*Of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church Canonically  
resident in the Diocese of Delaware, May 31st, 1854.*

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\*RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of  
St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

REV. BREED BATCHELLER, *residing at St. Leonard's, Ind.*

\*REV. THOMAS F. BILLOPP, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.

\*REV. CHARLES BRECK, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.

\*REV. SAMUEL C. BRINCKLE, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana  
Hundred.

\*REV. WILLIAM H. BROOKS, Deacon, Minister of St. Thomas' Church,  
Newark.

\*REV. RICHARD F. CADLE, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford,  
St. John's, Little Hill, and Christ Church, Broad Creek.

\*REV. SAMUEL T. CARPENTER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,  
and Missionary at Dover.

REV. CORBY CHAMBERS, residing at Wilmington.

\*REV. JOHN B. CLEMON, Rector of Ascension Church, Brandywine  
Hundred.

REV. ASA S. COLTON, Missionary in Brandywine Hundred, *officiating in St. Church, Delaware City.*

\*REV. GEORGE HALL, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River,  
St. Mark's, Millsboro', and Grace Church, Baltimore  
Mills.

\*REV. HIRAM R. HARROLD, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Appo-  
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\*REV. JOHN L. MCKIM, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,  
St. Peter's, Lewes, and Christ Church, Milford.

REV. DAVID McILVAINE, Deacon, residing at Lewes.

REV. GREENBURY W. RIDGELY, residing at Newark.

REV. GEORGE SHEETS, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton.

[Total 17.]

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.*

\* Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

## LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

*Certificates of whose election by their respective churches were presented  
and approved.*

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New Castle,	Grace Ch., Brandywine Hd.,	Not represented.
	Ascension, Brandywine Hd.,	{ William C. Lodge, John Lodge.
	St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ Samuel Baily, Dr. J. F. Wilson.
	Trinity, Wilmington,	{ H. H. J. Naff, E. G. Bradford.
	Christ, Christiana Hd.,	{ Alexis I. Du Pont, *Capt. S. F. Du Pont
	Immanuel, New Castle,	{ William T. Read, George B. Rodney.
	St. James', Stanton,	{ Fredus Pennington, John Foote.
	St. Thomas', Newark,	{ Solomon Leche, Benjamin Caulk.
	Christ, Delaware City,	Not represented.
	St. Ann's, Middletown,	{ Benjamin Gibbs, Lewis T. Roberts.
Kent,	St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ H. R. Parsons, *G. W. Cummins.
	Christ, Milford,	{ George R. Fisher, Dr. William Burton.
Sussex,	St. John the Baptist, Milton,	Not represented.
	St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ *Hon. Ed. Wootten, Alfred P. Robinson.
	St. George's, Indian River,	{ James F. Burton, *Peter R. Burton.
	St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ John Rodney, Caleb R. Paynter.
	St. Mark's, Millsborough,	{ Benjamin Burton, *Col. G. H. Wright.
	Grace, Baltimore Mills,	Not represented.
	St. John's, Little Hill,	Not represented.
	St. Luke's, Seaford,	Not represented.
	Christ, Broad Creek,	Not represented.

\* Absent.

\* Designates those who were not present in Convention.

At each order being called for, the yes & nos were taken as follows,  
Clericals

yes - Rev. Mr. First.

no - Rev. Mr. First.

ceased from voting

Parishes voting in the Affirmative.

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a delegate from — was excused from further attendance on the  
motion, Mr —, a substitute, being named in his place.

absent, the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle was chosen chairman *pro tem*.

The house was called to order by the Chair, and again proceeded to business.

The Rev. Messrs. Thomas F. Billopp and Hiram R. Harrold appeared and took their seats.

The following Lay Delegates presented testimonials of election from their respective parishes, which were examined and found correct.

They answered to their names, and took their seats.

Church of the Ascension, Brandywine Hundred,	{ William C. Lodge, John Lodge.
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	{ William T. Read, George B. Rodney.
St. Ann's Church, Middletown,	{ Benjamin Gibbs, Lewis T. Roberts.
St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,	H. R. Parsons.
St. Mark's Church, Millsborough,	Benjamin Burton.

On motion of Mr. George R. Fisher, the Convention adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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TRINITY CHAPEL, WILMINGTON, MAY 31, 1854, }  
3 o'clock, P.M. }

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The Chairman *pro tem*. took the chair and called the house to order.

The minutes of the morning's proceedings were read and approved.

The following Lay Delegates presented their testimonials of election, which being referred to the appropriate Committee and found correct, the gentlemen answered to their names and took seats in the Convention :

St. Thomas' Church, Newark,  
 St. James' Church, Stanton,  
 St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,

Benjamin Caulk,  
 Fredus Pennington.  
 Alfred P. Robinson.

The Rev. S. T. Carpenter, on behalf of the Committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates, presented to the house the certificate of the election of the Delegates from St. Peter's Church, Lewes, with the remonstrance against their admission from certain members of the former vestry of said Church, and asked that the house decide upon the claim of these Delegates to seats in this Convention.

On motion of Mr. George R. Fisher, it was

*Resolved*, That the Lay Delegates from St. Peter's Church, Lewes, are entitled to seats in this Convention.

Whereupon, Messrs. John Rodney and Caleb R. Paynter answered to their names and took their seats.

On motion of Mr. Alexis I. Du Pont, the Committee on Church Mutual Aid Association, before making its report, was permitted to withdraw for a brief period.

On motion, Dr. William Burton, a Lay Delegate from Christ Church, Milford, was excused from farther attendance on the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. S. T. Carpenter, the Chair appointed the Rev. S. T. Carpenter and Mr. George R. Fisher, a Committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts.

The Rev. Charles Breck, on behalf of the Committee on Church Mutual Aid Association, presented the following report of said Committee, embracing the draft of a Constitution, which was accepted :

The Committee on "The Church Mutual Aid Association" respectfully submit the following draft of a Constitution :

ART. I. This Society shall be denominated "The Church Mutual Aid Society of the Diocese of Delaware."

ART. II. The objects of this Society shall be to extend mutual care and relief to its members, when, in the Providence of God, they may be sick or disabled; to secure to its deceased members Christian burial, and to protect and succor their widows and orphans; and to excite a lively interest for the poor and afflicted generally.

ART. III. Every attendant on the services of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, not under 18, nor over 55 years of age, nor in any way incapacitated for acquiring a living, may become a member of this Society. Females may form branches under this Constitution, subject to the General Canons.

ART. IV. The Rector of the Parish in which any Branch is organized, shall be Chaplain of the same.

*Provided*, Where several Parishes are associated in one Branch, the Rectors shall hold office respectively for one year.

ART. V. Each Branch shall form its own Canons and By-Laws, subject to the Constitution and General Canons of the Society.

ART. VI. Every member of this Society shall in case of sickness or disability, brought on, not by intemperance or other vicious cause, but in the ordinary Providence of God, receive a weekly allowance of not less than one, nor more than three dollars, after a membership of three months, and the payment of all dues.

On the decease of a member in good standing, an appropriation of not less than ten, nor more than twenty-five dollars, shall be made for funeral expenses.

Each Branch will regulate its allowance to the widow and orphans of a deceased member, as well as the extending of aid to any needing assistance and comfort, who do not belong to the same.

ART. VII. There shall be an annual meeting of the delegates of the several Branches, at the time and place of meeting of the Convention of the Diocese. The Presidents and Chaplains, together with one member from each Branch, and one additional member for every twenty-five members, shall take their seats at the said meeting.

The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex officio* President of this meeting.

ART. VIII. All meetings of the various Branches shall be opened

with suitable religious exercises by the Chaplain. The Bishop shall set forth such a service, as in his judgment he may deem best calculated to advance the interest of the Society.

ART. IX. No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Delegates present at the Annual Meeting.

In submitting these Articles, your Committee would remark, that from the first planting of the gospel, express provision was made for the poor; and in all ages since, the Christian Church has provided for the poor of her communion with great carefulness, and at the same time extended her charity beyond her own limits with a lavish hand.

In recommending the organization of Branches throughout the Diocese, subject to the Constitution set forth by this Convention, there is no intention of interfering in the least degree with the long-established mode in active operation in the Church of aiding the sick and unfortunate.

As there are societies established for purposes of mutual aid, &c., throughout the country, the Church may reasonably make provision for such members of her respective congregations as feel desirous of uniting together for these ends.

ALFRED LEE,  
CHARLES BRECK,  
HIRAM R. HARROLD,  
ALEXIS I. DU PONT.

On motion of Mr. Alexis I. Du Pont, the articles of the proposed Constitution were read *seriatim*, which, after discussion and amendment, were adopted.

The question was then taken on the adoption of the Constitution as a whole.

The Constitution was unanimously adopted.

On motion of Mr. Alexis I. Du Pont, it was

*Resolved*, That this Convention recommend to the several Parishes in the Diocese of Delaware, the formation of branches of the Church Mutual Aid Society of the Diocese of Delaware.

On motion of Alexis I. Du Pont, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Church Mutual Aid Association, be discharged.





The Bishop called the attention of the Convention to his Annual Address, which he now delivered.

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## ADDRESS

*To the Clerical and Lay Members of the Sixty fourth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.*

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### BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY :

Again assembled in our Annual Convention, let us recognize with gratitude the gracious Providence which brings us together to confer upon the interests of our beloved church, and study how we can best promote her welfare. And let us look up earnestly and confidently to Him, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, for His guidance and blessing on our deliberations. Members of one body, sharers together in the precious hope of the gospel, and bound together in Church brotherhood, may we seek and follow the promptings of that Holy Spirit, who is the author not of confusion but of peace, and take counsel together as brethren on the subjects of common interest that may come before us. The present occasion of meeting in Convention is the more gratifying to me, inasmuch as I was unexpectedly prevented by illness from being present at your last session. By the goodness of our Heavenly Father my health was speedily restored, and I have been enabled to pursue, with little exception, my usual course of duties. A larger portion than usual of my time has been occupied in duties without the Diocese, especially in attendance at the General Convention in October last. I also took part, after the adjournment of the Convention, in the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Kip, Missionary Bishop of our Church in California.

Christiana Hundred, three times; Immanuel Church, New Castle, once; St. James', Stanton, once; St. Thomas', Newark, twice; in which church I have also twice administered the Holy Communion, and baptized the child of the minister; in Christ Church, Delaware City, twice; and also twice at Fort Delaware, on Pea Patch Island, to a very considerable and attentive congregation; St. Ann's Appoquinimink, twice; St. Peter's, Smyrna, seven times, where also I baptized the child of the Rector, and two other children; and once each in Christ Church, Dover; Christ Church, Milford; St. Luke's, Seaford; Christ Church, Broad Creek; St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel; St. John's, Little Hill; St. Mark's, Millsboro'; Grace Church, Baltimore Mills; St. Paul's, Georgetown; St. Peter's, Lewes, administering also the communion; St. George's, Indian River, and Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck; in all, exclusive of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, thirty-eight times. Attendance on the General Convention and other engagements without the Diocese occupied much of the fall, and prevented my making the usual autumnal visitation of the parishes in Sussex County.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

I have administered the rite of confirmation on twelve occasions to one hundred and fourteen persons, viz :

St. Andrew's, Wilmington, twice, confirmed 40, for St. Andrew's	38
Trinity, Wilmington, (one at St. Andrew's,) - - -	28
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, - - -	19
Immanuel, New Castle, (including one in private, and one at St. Andrew's,) - - - - -	10
St. Peter's, Smyrna, - - - - -	3
Christ Church, Broad Creek, - - - - -	8
St. John's, Little Hill, - - - - -	3
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, - - - - -	3
St. Paul's, Georgetown, - - - - -	1
Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck, - - - - -	1

This number exceeds that reported in any previous year since my connection with the Diocese. I also record with thankfulness the ardent interest and solemnity with which these confirmations were attended, both on the part of the persons themselves making a Christian profession, and of the congregations present.

#### CLERICAL CHANGES.

The following clergymen have been received into the Diocese since the last Convention: the Rev. John Baker Clemson, by letter of dismissal from Bishop Potter, accepted by me October 7th, 1853; the Rev. George Sheets, from the same, accepted by me May 4th, 1854; the Rev. Asa S. Colton, by letter from Bishop Whittingham, accepted May 15th, 1854.

The following clergymen have taken letters of dismissal from the Diocese: the Rev. Z. H. Mansfield to the Diocese of Connecticut, Nov. 28th, 1853, and the Rev. William H. Trapnell to the Diocese of New York, February 6th, 1854.

I admitted, November 9th, 1853, Mr. William H. D. Hatton a candidate for holy orders.

The Rev. Breed Batcheller has resigned the Rectorship of St. James' Church, Stanton, and has been succeeded by the Rev. George Sheets, who has recently entered upon his duties. The Rev. John B. Clemson has accepted a call to Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred, which charge he combines with that of a parish in Pennsylvania, but resides within the limits of Delaware. The Rev. H. R. Harrold has resigned the charge of the Church at Delaware City, but continues as before Rector of St. Ann's, Appoquinimink. The Rev. John L. McKim has, upon invitation of Christ Church, Milford, resumed the rectorship of that church, and also has become Rector of St. Peter's Church, Lewes. The Rev. Asa S. Colton has entered upon missionary duty in Brandywine Hundred, officiating at the Union Meeting-House and other points. The other parishes of the Diocese are under the same pastoral charge as reported in my last address. The only vacant parishes at present are Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred, and Christ Church, Delaware City. The latter would have been, I had reason to hope, supplied long before this time, several clergymen having been in correspondence with me on the subject. I trust that it will not be long without the services of a Rector; and until one be settled, shall provide, if possible, that it be not destitute of the preached gospel.

The new Church, mentioned in my last address, as about to be erected for Ascension parish, has been commenced, and is rapidly pro-

ceeding to completion. The edifice will be of convenient size, and well arranged, and from the improvement of that neighborhood, and the character and experience in the ministry of the present Rector, we may confidently anticipate that it will soon be filled with a good congregation.

The list of confirmations is an index of the prospering state of the parishes in Wilmington and vicinity. The congregation of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, has so increased as to make the need of a new and more spacious Church to be deeply felt. This want it is understood that young and vigorous parish purposes soon to supply.

On my recent visitation I laid the corner-stone of a new church for St. Peter's parish, Lewes. The proposed building will occupy the site of the former, which it will considerably surpass in size and convenience. The old church, removed to the rear of the lot, is still occupied for divine worship. An interesting service was held at the old Broad Creek Church, when that venerable and spacious building was nearly filled, and I confirmed a larger number of persons than ever before in that church. The indefatigable labors of the Rev. Mr. Cadle have not been without fruit and blessing in this long neglected field.

The effort of the Rev. Mr. Hall to raise a new congregation in the neighborhood of Baltimore Mills has been also greatly prospered. My recent visit and confirmation there was highly gratifying; and I know of no point in Sussex County where the promise seems better.

While we have to lament many evils, and labor under discouragements which none can know but from experience, we may still recognize with devout gratitude the favoring hand of our God; we should thank him for the past and take courage for the future. The time we may confidently pray and hope for, when our beloved Church, recovered from her state of long languishing and depression, will yet be enabled to fulfil her holy and benign mission, and prove a joy and a praise. One of my chief sources of anxiety for the Church in my Diocese has ever been the scarcity and moderate support of our ministry. With hearts weighed down by solitudes respecting their families, it is far more difficult for them to devote their energies with singleness and concentration to their proper work. They labor with discomfort and at disadvantage, and are strongly tempted to embrace the more inviting offers they may receive from other Dioceses. I am aware that in most of our parishes the numbers are few and the means far from abundant. But if the value of the gospel were rightly appreciated; if the interests

The Twelfth Annual Report of the Missionary and Education Committee was presented and read :

**TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.**

The Committee are gratified to report that their receipts during the last year indicate that the missionary cause has not lost its hold upon the hearts of our people. An increased liberality has been manifested, especially towards the department of Foreign Missions. By the better condition of the General Missions of the Church, the Domestic Committee have been enabled to meet their obligations, and the stipend, very small indeed, pledged by them, has been regularly paid. We have, therefore, remitted our contributions directly to their Treasurer, instead of retaining a portion to secure the payment of our own laborers, as was done for several years. The request of the Domestic Committee for an Advent Collection was urged by our own Committee in a circular, and responded to by a number of Churches. This was the only appeal which we have issued during the year. The contributions to Foreign Missions were chiefly made in the Epiphany Collection, asked for by the Foreign Committee of the General Board, and also in consequence of the visits of some of our Missionaries to China and Africa to portions of the Diocese. Of the good effect of such visits in rousing the missionary spirit into more active life, and enlisting a warmer sympathy in behalf of the publication of the glad tidings of salvation, the Committee express their strong conviction. And they are persuaded that an earnest and liberal interest in the work of Foreign Missions will react favorably and happily on the extension of the Church within our own borders, and upon the increase of true piety and zeal.

The contributions of the different parishes have been for the objects herein specified, viz :

*Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.*

For Domestic and Diocesan Missions,	\$99 52	
Foreign Missions in general,	37 87	
China,	52 30	
Africa,	25 56	
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		\$215 25

*St. Andrew's, Wilmington.*

Domestic and Diocesan,	58 87	
China,	35 00	
Africa,	50 00	
Sunday school of do., China,	5 00	
Orphan Asylum at Cape Palmas,	26 00	
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		174 87

*Trinity, Wilmington.*

Domestic,	-	-	-	-	42 34	
Africa,	-	-	-	-	35 00	
					<hr/>	\$77 34

*St. Thomas', Newark.*

Sunday school,	.	-	-	-	2 00	
Domestic,	-	-	-	-	28 00	
Foreign,	-	-	-	-	8 00	
					<hr/>	36 00

*Immanuel, New Castle.*

Domestic,	.	-	-	-		25 00
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*St. George's Indian River.*

Domestic,	-	-	-	-		4 04
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*St. Peter's, Smyrna.*

Foreign,	-	-	-	-	2 25	
Domestic, (Missionary Asso. for West,)					1 75	
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*St. Mark's, Millsboro'.*

Domestic,	-	-	-	-		4 00
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*Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.*

Domestic,	-	-	-	-		3 00
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*St. Luke's, Scaford.*

Domestic,	-	-	-	-		3 00
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*St. John's, Little Hill.*

Domestic,	-	-	-	-		3 00
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*Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck.*

Domestic,	-	-	-	-		3 00
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*St. Philip's, Laurel.*

Domestic,	-	-	-	-		2 70
Collection at Missionary Sermon, 1853,						12 03

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\$567 23

## DIOCESE OF DELAWARE, 1854.

THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Bishop, and President of  
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# APPENDIX.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

New Castle County.

GRACE CHURCH, BRANDYWINE HUNDRED, NO REPORT.

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CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CLAYMONT, BRANDYWINE HUNDRED, NEW  
CASTLE COUNTY.

This infant Parish has enjoyed but irregular services for want of Church accommodation. Worship which was held for some time in a school-house, was discontinued on the setting in of winter, being found impracticable. Its resumption now awaits the completion of the Church edifice; in the meanwhile our labors are bestowed on another part of the Hundred. The occupation of the Church is fondly anticipated during the summer. It is an imposing structure, after the simple Gothic, occupying a position of much beauty, and affording considerable accommodation. The Rector's attention is divided between this point and the Church at Marcus Hook, Penna.

JOHN B. CLEMSON, Rector.

Claymont, May 30, 1854.

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ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Adults 7, Infants 28,	35
Confirmed,	38
Communicants, number last reported,	163
“ Since removed,	13
“ Deceased,	4
“ Dropped from the list,	1
“ Added,	53
“ Present number,	198
Marriages,	7
Funerals,	17
Sunday Schools—White Teachers, Male 11, Fe-	
male 21, Total,	32
Scholars, Male 114, Female 188,	302

Colored School Teachers, (some of these are also engaged in the other School,)—Male 5, Female 11,	16
Scholars, Male 55, Female 77,	132
Rector's Bible Class, about	70
Contributions—Missions, Church offerings, for	
Diocesan Missions,	\$91 36
Domestic,	33 87
African,	50 00
Chinese,	35 00
	<hr/> \$210 23
Sunday School offerings,	126 66
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	836 89
Society for promotion of Evang'l Kn'dge,	83 50
Communion Alms, (including collection recommended by last Convention,)	77 00
Dorcas Society, and Prayer Book and Tract Society,	84 00
Episcopate \$85, Convention, \$15	100 00
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	\$631 39

**REMARKS.**—The loving kindness of the Lord has been still manifested towards this congregation, and His blessing has more abundantly, than in years past, accompanied his word and ordinances. A very delightful and sustained religious interest has cheered the Pastor's heart, and added largely to the communion of the Church. Of the communicants reported as added during the year, twelve were by removal from abroad, five of whom had previously been communicants of this Church. The remaining forty-one have been newly admitted to the Lord's table. Of these thirty-three are young persons, making the additions of the year preceding about fifty accessions from this interesting class. If they all have grace to be faithful, consistent and persevering disciples of Christ, how much may be hoped for the cause of the Redeemer, and for the advance of his Church, from such an amount of youthful energy consecrated to God. The Sunday Schools and benevolent operations of the Parish have been sustained with much spirit and efficiency. The need of increased accommodation for worshippers is now very pressing, and the congregation have determined, at a meeting held, to consider the subject, that the speedy enlargement of the Church is expedient and necessary.

ALFRED LEE, Rector.

### REPORT OF TRINITY CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Congregation—No. of Families 110; individuals 50;	
Adults 320; Children 145. Total,	465
Families irregular in attendance, but requiring the offices of the Church,	80
Sunday School—Scholars,	150
“ Teachers,	14
Baptisms—Adults 11; Infants 48,	59
Confirmed,	28
* Communicants—Died,	7
“ Removed,	3
“ Added,	30
“ Present number,	156
Marriages,	16
Burials,	42
Public services—On Sundays 114; other days 136,	250
General parochial visits 601; visits to the sick 309;	910
Children Catechized “openly in the Church” monthly.	

\*The want of an accurate list of communicants on my taking charge of the Parish accounts for the discrepancy between the number reported last year, and that of the present year.

The Treasurer's report exhibits the following account:

Sunday School,	\$ 60 00
Foreign Missions,	89 68
Domestic “	42 34
Nashotah,	113 00
Communion Alms,	186 52
Bibles, Prayer Books, Tracts,	50 00
Episcopal Fund,	289 00
Ladies' Association, for Church debt and Parsonage,	127 55
Current Expenses,	1252 62
Amount paid for debt and interest,	2384 82

Total, 4595 53

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

### REPORT OF CHRIST CHURCH, CHRISTIANA HUNDRED.

Baptisms,—Adults 2, Infants 14,	16
Confirmed,	19

Communicants—Number last reported,	48
Communicants—Since removed,	3
“ Died,	2
“ Added,	22
“ Present number,	65
Catechetical class, about	50
Marriages,	4
Funerals,	10
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	\$99 52
“ Foreign “ Epiphany collection,	\$37 87
“ African,	25 56
“ Chinese,	52 30
Total Foreign,	\$115 73
Communion Alms—(Including \$18 25 for a disabled Clergyman,)	40 93
Episcopal Fund,	24 00
Convention do.	10 00
Other purposes,	13 24
Total,	\$303 42

Public services on Sundays, 52; other days, 6:—Total, 58.

Part of my time engaged at St. Andrew's in assisting the Bishop.

**REMARKS:**—The tokens of Divine favor in the past year, have been most encouraging. May their effect be to stimulate to greater efforts of faith and love. Our present accommodations being too limited for the increasing congregation, a movement has been made towards a new Church, which the Rector is happy to say, has met with very great favor, the rich giving of their abundance, and the poor of their penury. May God make it a common blessing, as it has been a common offering.

The subscription, which was only commenced a week or two since, amounts to \$5,155.

S. C. BRINCKLE, Rector.

#### IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE.

Funerals—infants 2, adults 7,	9
Marriages,	4
Baptisms—infants 5, adults 1,	6
Confirmed,	10
Communicants—Added,	5
“ Died,	3
“ Removed,	4
“ Withdrawn,	2
“ Present number,	57

## ST. ANN'S CHURCH, MIDDLETOWN.

Baptisms—Infants, - - - - -	2
Marriages, - - - - -	6
Funerals, - - - - -	7
Communicants—Deceased 1, present number, -	46

Public services are celebrated on every Lord's Day in the morning, and on the principal holy days.

The Sunday school was resumed with the opening of the spring under favorable auspices. The attendance is better than usual.

Contributions.—The expenditures of St. Ann's Rectory, falling heavily on a few individuals, have prevented some of the usual demands in aid of the expenses of the Diocese; but there is a disposition entertained to come up to the full share of responsibility. A liberal collection was made for the benefit of certain children connected with the African Mission. Also another for Domestic Missions.

HIRAM R. HARROLD, Rector.

*Mark Leventy*

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA.

Baptisms—Adults 2, infants 6, total - - -	8
Confirmed - - - - -	3
Communicants—Number in last report, - - -	17
Since removed, - - - - -	1
Added, - - - - -	4
Present number, - - - - -	20
Marriage, - - - - -	1
Sunday school—Teachers, male 3, female 3, total, - - -	6
“ Scholars, male 16, female 22, total - - -	88
Contributions—Missions, - - - - -	\$ 4 00
Communion Alms, - - - - -	12 13
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	8 00
Convention Fund, - - - - -	5 00

Public services every Sunday morning, Bible class Sunday evening, excepting through the summer. Other days, a Wednesday evening lecture during the winter and spring. The last summer, also, I preached, afternoon and evening, for several Sundays, in Millington, Maryland, and the Chapel in the neighborhood. In Millington I baptized two children and administered the Lord's Supper in the Chapel.

This spring I had a new appointment—a Sunday afternoon service, about three miles from Smyrna, with encouraging success. I accompanied the Bishop on his visitation through Sussex, and preached in Milton and Lewes.

S. T. CARPENTER, Rector.

## CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER.

The Missionary officiating in Christ Church, Dover, reports that he has, from want of sufficient encouragement on the part of the congregation, reduced the number of his services to one in each month. In other respects there is no change worthy of note in the state of things in this venerable but decayed parish.

S. T. CARPENTER.

## CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	4
Communicants—Present number,	-	-	-	-	9
Marriage,	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	2
Sunday School—Teachers 6, scholars 36, total,	-	-	-	-	42
Public Services—Sundays,	-	-	-	-	11

This parish was vacated last year, from Easter until Advent, by my removal from the Diocese; during which time there was divine service but on two occasions. I have since resumed the charge of it, and officiate, as before, regularly once in two weeks. The condition and prospects of the Church are as encouraging as at any former report.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

May 30, 1854.

*Superior County*  
CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, MILTON.

No Report.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	6
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Present number,	-	-	-	-	17
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	15
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	19
Sunday school—Teachers 15, scholars 62.	-	-	-	-	
Public Services—Sundays 18, other days 6, total,	-	-	-	-	24

From April to November of last year I officiated in this Church only once a month, having made an engagement in the adjoining Diocese, with a view of removing thither. This design was afterwards relinquished; and for the last six months I have been pursuing the usual routine of appointments in Milford, Georgetown, and other places in the vicinity.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

May 30, 1854.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES.

This Church having been without services for a long time, I assumed the charge of it at Christmas last, and have since given it so much attention as my existing engagements permit. Up to this time I have officiated here only once a month : hereafter there will be service once a fortnight.

The project of building a new church, which has been for several years in contemplation, seems at present in a way of being carried into execution. The old fabric was, some time last summer, removed out of the way, and the foundation of a new edifice is now laid; the *corner-stone* being placed with appropriate ceremonies by the Bishop on the 27th inst. The plan adopted is a decided improvement on the Church architecture of this quarter of the Diocese; and, when carried out, will be creditable to the taste and zeal of those engaged in it. It will cost \$3000 or more.

The number of communicants in this Church is about 30 (as at last report). Contributions (at a recent collection) for Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$5. Public services, Sundays, 6. The Rev. D. McIlvaine, Deacon, has also officiated occasionally; and I am indebted to him for frequent assistance in the celebration of Divine service, the administration of the Holy Communion, &c.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

May 30, 1854.

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REPORT OF ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, INDIAN RIVER, AND THE CHAPEL  
OF THE COMFORTER, LONG NECK.

Baptism—Infant,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Confirmation,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Died 3, added 4, present number,						21
Marriage,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	5
Sunday School—Teachers 5, scholars 45, total,					-	50
Contributions—Missionary,	-	-	-	-		\$2 54
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-		5 00
Public Services,	-	-	-	-		32

We intend to put a new fence around St. George's grave-yard, at a cost of \$125; funds already promised.

GEORGE HALL, Rector.

### REPORT OF ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MILLSBORO'.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Added 1, present number,	-	-	-	-	-	10
Contributions—Missionary,	-	-	-	-	-	\$1 50
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Public Services,	-	-	-	-	-	17

We are not able to have a Sunday school in Millsboro' for want of teachers.

GEORGE HALL, Rector.

### REPORT OF GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE MILLS.

Baptism—Infant,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Confirmations,	-	-	-	-	-	3
Communicants—Added 3, present number,	-	-	-	-	-	8
Contributions—Missionary,	-	-	-	-	-	\$2 00
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Public Services,	-	-	-	-	-	16

GEORGE HALL, Rector.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LITTLE HILL.

Baptisms—Adults 8, children 5, total	-	-	-	-	-	8
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	8
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	-	26
“ Omitted in that report, of whom no information was given,	-	-	-	-	-	2
“ Returned,	-	-	-	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	31
Marriage,	-	-	-	-	-	1

Two Sunday schools were taught last year during about 5 months. The school at the church is again in operation, having 7 scholars, and 2 teachers. Another school will be reorganized next Sunday, with probably 40 children and 4 teachers.

**Contributions**—All on communion occasions,  
excepting the collection for the  
Convention Fund.

"	In two collections for Domestic	
	Missions, - -	\$2 83
"	For the Rev. C. Chambers,	2 00
"	For Diocesan Missions,	1 50
"	For Parochial objects, -	1 45
"	For the Convention Fund,	5 00
		<hr/> \$12 78

For repairs, by several persons of the congrega-  
tion, for work connected with the church,  
estimated at - - - 5 00

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\$17 78

**Public Services**—On Sundays 27, other days, (one by  
the Rev. Messrs. White and Carpenter,) 5, total, 32

The Lord's Supper has been administered publicly 5 times.

The Lord's Supper has been administered privately, once.

The Bishop visited this Church on the morning of Monday, the  
22d of May, and preached and confirmed.

**RICHARD F. CADLE, Minister.**

#### **REPORT OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD.**

Baptisms—Children, - - - -	5
Communicants—Number in last report 15, removed	
1, present number, - - - -	14
Marriage, - - - -	1
Funerals (1 child and 1 adult), - -	2

There is a class of 6 children, which I am instructing in the Cate-  
chism. It was formed on the 23d of April. Such a class was taught  
by me last summer. After the study of the Catechism, I propose  
making this class a Bible Class.

<b>Contributions</b> —Made at the administration of the Holy Com- munion, for parochial objects, -	\$7 00
" Made on other occasions, for paro- chial objects, - -	2 50
" For the Convention Fund, -	5 00
" For the Episcopal Fund, - -	5 00
	<hr/> \$19 50

Expenditures during the past year by several persons  
of the congregation, chiefly on account of repairs  
of the fence of the church-yard, estimated at \$60 00  

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\$79 50

Public Services—On Sundays, (one of which was by  
the Rev. Messrs. Carpenter  
and Ridgely, and another by  
the Rev. Mr. Ridgely,) 25  
“ On another day, - 1  

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26

The Lord's Supper has been administered 5 times.

The Bishop of the Diocese visited this church on the morning of  
Sunday, the 21st of May, and preached.

RICHARD F. CADLE, Minister.

#### REPORT OF CHRIST CHURCH, BROAD CREEK, AND OF ST. PHILIP'S CHAPEL, LAUREL.

Baptisms—Children, 17  
Confirmed, 8  
Communicants—Number in last report 16, added 1, total, 17  
Marriages, 2  
Funerals, (1 child and 1 adult,) 2. The burial service in one case  
was performed by the Rev. Mr. McKim.

I am in hopes there will be a Sunday school at Christ Church,  
Broad Creek, during the summer; but it has not yet been formed.  
That at Laurel has become extinct.

Contributions—In 2 collections and part of a 3d for  
“ Domestic Missions, \$ 4 42  
“ Diocesan Missions, 2 70  
“ Parochial objects, 1 53  
“ Convention Fund, 5 00  
“ On account of Blinds, 45 45  
“ For repairs of the churches, 9 88  

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\$68 98

The contributions on communion occasions, included in the above  
list, amount to \$8 12.

<b>Public Services—On Sundays, (one by the Rev. Mr.</b>			
<b>Carpenter, and another by the Rev.</b>			
<b>Messrs. Ridgely and Carpenter,)</b>			<b>51</b>
<b>“ On other days, (one by the Rev. Mr.</b>			
<b>Hoskins,)</b>			<b>26</b>
			<hr/>
<b>Total,</b>			<b>77</b>

• The Lord's Supper has been administered in Christ Church, Broad Creek, once; and in St. Philip's, Laurel, 3 times.

The Bishop visited these churches on the afternoon and evening of Sunday, the 21st of May, and preached and administered confirmation in Christ Church, Broad Creek.

**RICHARD F. CADLE, Minister.**

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#### **REPORT OF REV. G. W. RIDGELY**

After the adjournment of the last Convention, I officiated for a time at the Church of the Ascension, until an effective Building Committee was appointed for the erection of a new church-edifice, and I had the satisfaction of giving place to my friend, the Rev. John B. Clemson. Since then I have preached principally in other parts of the county. The field of Missionary labor which I occupied in Brandywine Hundred has now been filled by the Rev. Messrs. Clemson and Colton; and I have been recently making arrangements for operations of the same kind in the vicinity of Newark.

**G. W. RIDGELY.**

The following is the amount of Assessment on each Parish in the Diocese for the support of the Episcopate, which is to be remitted annually to the Treasurer of the Convention, in accordance with Canon XV :

St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	\$99 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	78 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	-	-	-	28 50
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	-	32 50
St. James' Stanton,	-	-	-	-	6 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	-	-	9 50
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	-	-	23 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	2 50
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. Peter's Lewes,	-	-	-	-	15 00
St. George's, Indian River,	-	-	-	-	10 50
St. Mark's, Millsboro',	-	-	-	-	5 00
Grace, Baltimore Mills,	-	-	-	-	4 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	-	-	7 00
St. John's, Little Hill,	-	-	-	-	15 50
Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	-	4 50
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	-	-	8 50
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	-	-	8 50

The following table exhibits the sum which each Parish is required to contribute to the Convention Fund in accordance with Canon X :

St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	\$15 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	15 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	-	-	-	6 00
St. John's, Little Hill,	-	-	-	-	8 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. James', Stanton,	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. George's, Indian River,	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro',	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Matthew's, Cedar Creek,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	-	12 00
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Church of the Ascension, Brandywine Hundred,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	-	-	-	-	5 00



DR.

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer,*

1853.			
May 24,	To balance in Treasury,		\$60 50
" 25,	To cash from St. Thomas' church, Newark,		5 00
" "	" " St. George's church, Indian River,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's church, Lewes,		6 00
" "	" " St. John the Baptist's church, Milton,		5 00
" "	" " St. Mark's church, Millsborough,		5 00
" "	" " St. Paul's church, Georgetown,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's church, Smyrna,		5 00
" "	" " Christ church, Broad Creek,		5 00
" "	" " St. Luke's church, Seaford,		5 00
" "	" " Christ church, Milford,		5 00
" "	" " St. John's church, Seaford,		5 00
June 9,	" " Immanuel church, New Castle,		10 00
1854.			
May 20,	" " Trinity church, Wilmington,		15 00
" 30,	" " Christ church, Christiana Hundred,		10 00
" "	" " St. Andrew's church, Wilmington,		15 00
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			\$166 50
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	To balance in Treasury,		\$56 00

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*John B. Lewis, Treasurer,*

1853.			
May 24,	To balance in Treasury,		\$76 50
" 25,	To cash from St. Thomas' church, Newark,		8 50
" "	" " St. Peter's church, Lewes,		15 00
" "	" " St. Paul's church, Georgetown,		2 50
" "	" " St. Peter's church, Smyrna,		7 00
Nov. 7,	" " Trinity church, Wilmington,		10 00
1854.			
Feb.	" " do. do. do.		5 00
April 3,	" " do. do. do.		5 00
" "	" " St. Thomas' church, Newark,		16 00
May 4,	" " Trinity church, Wilmington,		40 50
" "	" " St. Andrew's church, Wilmington,		85 00
" 26,	" " Trinity church, do.		192 00
" 30,	" " do. do. do.		36 50
" "	" " Christ church, Christiana Hundred,		24 00
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			\$523 50
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*in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

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1853.		
May 26,	By cash paid James Stewart, Sexton of St. Paul's church, Georgetown,	\$4 00
June 11,	By cash paid Dr. J. F. Wilson, by order of Convention,	8 50
" "	By cash paid Evans & Vernon. by order of Convention, for printing Journal of Convention,	46 00
Oct. 3,	By cash paid the Treasurer of the General Convention, for assessment on the Diocese,	16 00
1854.		
Jan. 18,	By cash paid Rev. S. T. Carpenter, for expenses to General Convention,	16 00
Feb. 15,	By cash paid Rev. G. Hall, for expenses to General Convention,	20 00
May 30,	To balance in Treasury,	56 00
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		\$166 50

*in account with the Epis. Fund of the Diocese of Delaware.* CR.

1853.		
June 10,	By cash paid to the Right Rev. Alfred Lee,	\$108 50
1854.		
May 4,	" " " " " "	85 00
"	" " " " " "	329 00
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		\$523 50

# Abstract of Parochial Reports—1854.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	BAPTISMS.		COMMUNICANTS.							SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				CONTRIBUTIONS.				RECTORS.	
	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Added.	Present Number.	Marriages.	Funerals.	Teachers.		Total.	Missions.	Episcopal Fund.	Convention Fund.	Other Purposes.		Total.
											Male.	Female.							
St. Andrew's, Wilmington.	28	7	35	38	4	14	53	198	7	17	16	32	48	\$338 89	\$85 00	\$15 00	\$194 50	\$631 39	Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D.
Trinity, do.	48	11	59	28	7	3	30	156	16	42	14		150	245 02	289 00	15 00	4061 51	4610 53	Charles Breck.
Immanuel, New Castle,	5	1	6	10	3	6	5	57	4	9	16		100	25 00	10 00	215 00	250 00		T. F. Billepp.
Ascension, Brandywine Hundred,																			John R. Clemons.
Christ Church, Christina Hundred,	14	2	16	19	2	3	22	65	4	10			50	215 25	24 00	10 00	54 17	303 42	Samuel C. Brinckle.
St. James', Stanton,								12					42						George Sheets.
St. Thomas', Newark,	4		4					19		1	2	5	10	27 00	16 00	5 00	154 77	202 77	William H. Brooks.
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	2	2	4					46	6	7	not reported		26	4 00	8 00	5 00	12 13	29 13	Hiram R. Harrold.
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	6	2	8	3	1	1	4	20	1	1	3	16	38						Samuel T. Carpenter.
Christ Church, Delaware City,	2	2	4					6	1	1	6		36		8 00	5 00		13 00	John L. McKim.
Christ Church, Milford,	4	4	8					9	1	2	16		62	5 00				5 00	ditto.
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	6	6	12	1	1			17	15	19			45					7 54	ditto.
St. Peter's, Lewes,								30			5							6 50	George Hall.
St. George's, Indian River,	1	1	2	1	3		4	21	1	5								82 50	ditto.
Chapel of the Comforter, L. N.,								10						5 00					Richard F. Cadie.
St. Mark's, Millsborough,	2	2	4				1	14	1	2								68 98	ditto.
St. Luke's, Seaford,	5	5	10					17	2	2								17 78	ditto.
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	17	17	34	8				31			11		92	2 00				7 00	George Hall.
St. Philip's, Laurel,								8											
St. John's, Little Hill,	5	3	8	3			3	31	1										
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	1	1	2	3				8											
St. John the Baptist, Milton,																			
Grace Church, Brandywine,																			
Christ Church, Dover,																			
Total,	150	28	176	114	20	29	129	740	60	117	128		1075	\$876 65	\$435 00	\$95 00	\$4936 69	\$6235 54	Samuel T. Carpenter.

\* According to last year's report.

Diocese of Delaware, 1854.  
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" " Reed Batcheller, Stanton,

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# Abstract of Parochial Reports—1854.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	BAPTISMS.			CONFIRMED.			DIED.			REMOVED.			ADDED.			PRESENT NUMBER.			MARRIAGES.			FUNERALS.			TEACHERS.				SCHOLARS.				CONTRIBUTIONS.					RECTORS.
	Infants.	Adults.	Total.			Total.	Died.	Removed.	Added.	Present Number.			Marr.	Funerals.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Missions.	Episcopal Fund.	Convention Fund.	Other Purposes.	Total.													
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, Trinity, do. Immanuel, New Castle, Ascension, Brandywine Hundred, Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, St. James', Stanton, St. Thomas', Newark, St. Ann's, Appoquinimink, St. Peter's, Smyrna, Christ Church, Delaware City, Christ Church, Milford, St. Paul's, Georgetown, St. Peter's, Lewes, St. George's, Indian River, } Chapel of the Comforter, L. N., } St. Mark's, Millborough, St. Luke's, Seaford, Christ Church, Broad Creek, } St. Philip's, Laurel, St. John's, Little Hall, Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, St. John the Baptist, Milton, Grace Church, Brandywine, Christ Church, Dover, Total,	28 48 5 14 4 2 6 2 4 6 1 1 1 2 																																					

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" H. R. Harold,  
Mr. Alexis L. de Roul,  
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## STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

*From the Episcopal Address, the Parochial Reports, &c.*

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese,	-	17
Number of Parishes in union with the Convention,		23
Number of Parishes without a Clergyman,	-	2
Number of Clergymen having more than one parochial charge,	-	5
Clergymen received with letters dismissory,	-	3
Clergymen to whom letters dismissory have been given,		2
Candidates for Holy orders, present number,	-	1
Corner-stone laid,	-	1

The following statistics are derived from Reports :

Baptisms—Adults 26, Infants 150, total,	-	176
Confirmed,	-	114
Communicants—Added 129, lost by removal 29, lost by death 20, present number,	-	740
Marriages,	-	60
Funerals,	-	117
Sunday-school Teachers,	-	128
“ Scholars,	-	1075

### *Collections.*

To the Episcopal Fund, from 7 Churches,	-	\$435 00
To the Convention Fund, from 13 Churches,	-	95 00
To the Missionary and Education Committee, from 13 Churches,	-	555 20
To the Aged and Infirm Clergy, from 6 Churches,		123 75

Besides the above contributions, there have been contributed, according to 9 Parochial Reports,—

For other objects,	-	\$4826 89
Total amount of contributions from 14 Reports,		\$6235 54

*Summary.*

<b>Baptisms—Infants 150, Adult 26, total,-</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>176</b>
<b>Confirmed,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>114</b>
<b>Communicants—Deceased,</b>	-	.	-	-	-	<b>20</b>
<b>“       Removed,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>29</b>
<b>“       Added,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>129</b>
<b>“       Present number,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>740</b>
<b>Marriages,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>60</b>
<b>Funerals,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>117</b>
<b>Sunday-school Teachers,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>128</b>
<b>“       Scholars,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>1075</b>
<b>Contributions—Missions,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>\$ 876 65</b>
<b>“       Episcopate,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>435 00</b>
<b>“       Convention,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>95 00</b>
<b>“       Other purposes,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>4826 89</b>
<b>“       Total,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>6235 54</b>

# FORM OF A PAROCHIAL REPORT.

REPORT OF

CHURCH.

Baptisms—Adult , Infant , Total,  
Confirmed,  
Communicants,—

Number in last report,  
Since removed,  
Died,  
Added,  
Present number,

Marriages,  
Funerals,— *Parishioners - - - , Others - - - , Total*

Sunday School—Teachers, Male , Female , Total  
Scholars, “ “ “

Contributions—Missions,  
Communion Alms,  
Episcopal Fund,  
Convention Fund,  
Other purposes,  
Total,

Public Services—On Sundays , other days , Total  
*Rector.*

REMARKS. *Rector's Library. x Can for Orders. x*

NOTE.—Where the church is without a minister the parochial report should be made by the Wardens. Reports should be handed to the Bishop on or before the opening of the Convention.

All those upon whom devolves the duty of preparing the reports, are earnestly requested to fill up *all* the blanks in the above form.

## NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in Christ Church, Milford, on the last Wednesday in May, 1855, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

CONTRIBUTIONS, &c.,

TO THE  
EPISCOPAL FUND,

and the

CONVENTION FUND,

should be sent

to Mr John B Lewis, *Treasurer*, Wilmington

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To the

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE,

to Dr. James F Wilson, *Treasurer*, Wilmington

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To the

Fund for the Relief of the Rev. Corry Chambers,

to any member of the Committee

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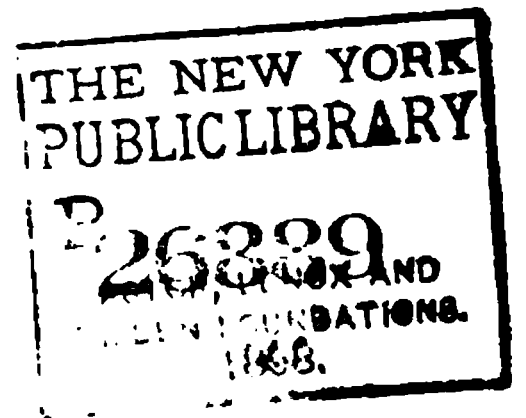
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# LIST

*Of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church Canonically Resident in the Diocese of Delaware, May 30th, 1855.*

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\*RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

REV. JOHN ATKINSON, Deacon.

\*REV. THOMAS F. BILLOPP, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.

\*REV. CHARLES BRECK, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.

\*REV. SAMUEL C. BRINCKLE, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

\*REV. RICHARD F. CADLE, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford, St. John's, Little Hill, and Christ Church, Broad Creek.

\*REV. SAMUEL T. CARPENTER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, and Missionary at Dover.

REV. CORBY CHAMBERS, residing at Wilmington.

\*REV. JOHN B. CLEMON, Rector of Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred.

\*REV. ASA S. COLTON, Missionary in New Castle County.

\*REV. GEORGE HALL, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River, St. Mark's, Millsboro, and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

\*REV. HIRAM R. HAROLD, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Appoquinimink.

\*REV. SAMUEL HAZLEHURST, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, and Missionary in Brandywine Hundred.

\*REV. JOHN L. MCKIM, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, St. Peter's, Lewes, and Christ Church, Milford.

REV. DAVID McILVAINE, Deacon, residing at Lewes.

REV. GREENBURY W. RIDGELY.

\*REV. GEORGE SHEETS, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton.

[Total 17.]

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.*

\* Designates those entitled to seats in this Convention.

# LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

*Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.*

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<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New Castle,	Grace Ch., Brandywine Hd.,	Not represented.
	Ascension, Brandywine Hd.,	John Williamson.
	St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ Samuel Baily,
		{ Gregg Chandler.
	Trinity, Wilmington,	{ Amor H. Harvey,
		{ *H. H. J. Naff.
	Christ Ch., Christiana Hd.,	{ Capt. S. F. Du Pont,
		{ Alexis I. Du Pont.
	Immanuel, New Castle,	{ John D. Bird,
		{ *James C. Douglass.
Kent,	St. James', Stanton,	Not represented.
	St. Thomas', Newark,	{ Solomon M. Curtis,
		{ *Benjamin Caulk.
	Christ Ch., Delaware City,	Not represented.
Sussex,	St. Ann's, Middletown,	{ John C. Spear,
		{ William A. Hanson.
	St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ Dr. William Cummins,
		{ H. R. Parsons.
	Christ Ch., Milford,	{ Dr. William Burton,
		{ Thomas Wallace.
	St. John the Baptist, Milton,	Not represented.
	St. Paul's Georgetown,	{ *Mathew Rench,
		{ James Stuart.
	St. George's, Indian River,	{ James F. Burton,
		{ John B. Burton.
	St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ Henry F. Rodney,
		{ Caleb R. Paynter.
	St. Mark's, Millsboro,	{ Benjamin Burton,
		{ Robert Kollock.
	Grace Ch., Baltimore Mills,	{ Henry Hickman,
		{ John S. Waples.
	St. John's Little Hill,	{ Joshua Cannon,
		{ William E. Cannon.
	St. Lukes, Seaford,	{ Charles Wright,
	Christ Ch., Broad Creek,	{ George W. Green.
		Not represented.
		* Absent.

# JOURNAL

OF THE

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

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CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD, MAY 30th, 1855.

THIS being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Bishop of the Diocese, and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M., in Christ Church, Milford.

The Convention having been called to order by the Bishop, no Secretary being present, Mr. Samuel Baily was appointed Secretary pro tem, who called the names of such of the Clergy as are entitled to seats in the Convention, under the Constitution, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, viz:

The Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese,

- “ Samuel C. Brinkle,
- “ Richard F. Cadle,
- “ Samuel T. Carpenter,
- “ John B. Clemson,
- “ Asa S. Colton,
- “ George Hall,
- “ Hiram R. Harrold,
- “ Samuel Hazlehurst,
- “ John L. McKim.

The Rev. John L. McKim and Mr. Solomon M. Curtis were appointed a Committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the Committee as duly elected, the following gentlemen answered to their names and took seats in the Convention, viz:

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	John Williamson.
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ Samuel Baily, Gregg Chandler.
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	{ Capt. S. F. Du Pont, Alexis I. Du Pont.
Immanuel, New Castle,	John D. Bird.
St. Thomas', Newark,	Solomon M. Curtis.
St. Ann's, Middletown,	{ John C. Spear, William A. Hanson.
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	H. R. Parsons,
Christ Church, Milford,	Thomas Wallace,
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	James Stuart.
St. George's, Indian River,	{ James F. Burton, John B. Burton.
St Peter's, Lewes,	Henry F. Rodney,
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	Benjamin Burton.
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	Henry Hickman.
St. Luke's, Seaford,	Charles Wright.

The Rev. Charles Breck appeared and took his seat.—  
A constitutional quorum being present, the Convention pursuant to the sixth Article of the Constitution then proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. Hiram R. Harrold and Mr. Gregg Chandler were appointed tellers, and on the second ballot reported that Mr. Alexis I. Du Pont had been elected.

Whereupon the Chair declared Mr. Alexis I. Du Pont to be Secretary of the Convention for the ensuing year.

The Rules of Order of the last Convention were, on motion of the Rev. John L. McKim, adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session.

## RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

8. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

9. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

10. No motion shall be considered as before the house unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.

11. When any question is before the house, it shall be determined on before any new thing is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

12. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

13. When the house is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

14. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

15. The charge or sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each clergyman, and ten copies to each vestry in the Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. John L. McKim, it was

*Resolved*, That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to this Diocese, and students of theology, who are candidates for Holy Orders in this Church, who may be present, be and they are hereby invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. John D. Bird, a Committee of five members was appointed by the Bishop, to consider the propriety of introducing certain amendments to Section 1st and 2d, of Canon XI, viz :

Rev. Charles Breck,  
 “ Samuel T. Carpenter,  
 John D. Bird,  
 Benjamin Burton,  
 James F. Burton.

On motion of the Rev. John L. McKim, the Convention took a recess for Divine Service.

The Order for Daily Morning Prayer was read as far as the Creed, by the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, and concluded by the Rev. Richard F. Cadle, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford, St. John's, Little Hill, and Christ Church, Broad Creek.

The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Bishop.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. John B. Clemson, Rector of Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle.

The congregation having been dismissed, the Bishop resumed the chair, and after calling the house to order, the Convention again proceeded to business.

The following Lay Delegates appeared and took their seats:

St. Peter's, Smyrna,  
Christ Church, Milford,  
St. Mark's, Millsboro,  
St. Luke's, Seaford,

Dr. William Cummins.  
Dr. William Burton.  
Robert Kollock.  
George W. Green.

On motion of Mr. Gregg Chandler, the Chair appointed Mr. Amor H. Harvey and Mr. James Stuart, a Committee to audit the Treasurer's account.

On motion of Mr. Alexis I Du Pont, the Chair appointed Mr. Charles Wright and Dr. William Cummins a Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Committee, appointed by the last Convention to receive collections for the relief of the Rev. Corry Chambers.

On motion of Mr. Samuel Baily, it was resolved, that when the Convention adjourn they do so to meet again at half-past 2 o'clock, P. M.

On motion of the Rev. Hiram R. Harrold, the Convention adjourned.

CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD, MAY 30th, 1855, }  
 2½ o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., took the chair and called the house to order.

The following Lay Delegates presented their testimonials of election, which being referred to the Committee and found correct, the gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats in the Convention :

St. John's Church, Little Hill,

{ Joshua Cannon,  
 { William E. Cannon.

The Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's account, after examining the same, reported that they had found it correct.

On motion of the Rev. John B. Clemson, the amendment of the 8th Article of the Constitution which was proposed by the Rev. William H. Brooks, and appears on page 14 of the Journal of the last Convention, was then taken up and confirmed by the Convention.

The Eighth Article of the Constitution is therefore amended, by adding after the last sentence the words, "The Standing Committee shall present to each Annual Convention an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings, since the former Convention."

The report of the Standing Committee was presented by Mr. Samuel Baily and read by the Secretary, as follows :

#### FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

Abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee :

June 28th, 1854, the Committee consented to the consecration of the Rev. Henry W. Lee, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, N. Y., to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Iowa.

July 22d, 1854, they concurred in the election of the Right Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., Missionary Bishop of the North West and Bishop in charge of Wisconsin, as Bishop of the Diocese of Wisconsin.

They also recommended Mr. Thomas Mills Martin as a candidate for Holy Orders.

September 29th, 1854, they consented to the consecration of the Rev. Horatio Potter, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany, to the Episcopate, as Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

October 6th, 1854, they consented to the consecration of the Rev. Thomas March Clark, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Hartford, Connecticut, to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Rhode Island; they also recommended the Rev. John Atkinson, a Licentiate of the New School Presbyterian Church, as a candidate for Holy Orders in the Protestant Episcopal Church.

December 28th, 1854, they recommended the Rev. William Henry Brooks, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark, to be admitted to the Holy Order of the Priesthood, and signed testimonials in his behalf.

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Signed, SAMUEL BAILY, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Rev. John L. McKim, the election of members of the Standing Committee was postponed.

On motion of Mr. Samuel Baily, the election of Deputies to the General Convention was postponed.

On motion of the Rev. John L. McKim, the election of members of the Missionary and Education Committee was postponed.

Mr. Caleb R. Paynter, a Lay Delegate from St. Peter's Church, Lewes, appeared and took his seat.

The Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Committee to receive collections for the Rev. Corry Chambers, reported that they had examined the same and found them correct.

On motion of the Rev. John B. Clemson, it was

*Resolved*, That the subject of the providing for the relief of disabled Clergymen be submitted to a Committee of five members, to be appointed by the Chair.

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They deem it inexpedient to make any amendment to Section 2d, of Canon XI.

On motion of Rev. John L. McKim, the amendment of Section 1st, of Canon XI, as reported by the Committee, was concurred in.

The Bishop then called the attention of the Convention to his Annual Address.

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## ADDRESS

*To the Clerical and Lay Members of the Sixty-fifth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.*

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### BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

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spect of fidelity and devotedness? And what overwhelming regret and remorse and shame will be our portion if it be then found that we were unfaithful stewards and slothful servants; that we sought our own rather than the things which are Jesus Christ's; that we lived to ourselves and not to him who died for us! How bitter the reflection, if we have known the gospel only to our condemnation, and have been attached to a pure branch of the Church of Christ, without any real share in the covenant of redeeming love! Oh, that we might feel, in our respective positions, the mighty constraining motives to holiness of life and patient continuance in well-doing, which will there stand out so plainly before our souls. Let us bear ever in mind that our Lord soon cometh to reckon with his servants, and that unto whom much is given, of the same will much be required.

The session of your last Convention, in the city of Wilmington, was disturbed by an unlooked for and fearful calamity, nearly affecting him who now addresses you. The prompt expression by your body of so much affectionate interest in the preservation of his family was inexpressibly gratifying and consoling. Although acknowledged at the time, I crave the permission, on meeting you again, to express my lively sense of the kindness drawn forth by this event from every part of the Diocese.

The Ecclesiastical annals of the past twelve-month present no new or striking features; no marked variation from the history of the years that have preceded. The advance of our beloved Church is gradual—in some parts of the Diocese scarce perceptible—and yet I trust that there is general improvement, and a foundation laid upon which the house of God will hereafter rise in goodly proportions. In the city of Wilmington and its vicinity the grounds of encouragement are manifest and cheering. In the feebler parishes the infrequency of ministerial services is a let and hindrance, which it is easier to perceive and deplore than to remedy.

The following is a summary of Episcopal duties rendered since the last Convention:

On the 14th of September, 1854, I consecrated the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, Brandywine Hundred, and preached the consecration sermon. This edifice is remarkable for its beautiful situation, the propriety and good taste of its arrangements, and the convenient accommodation of the worshippers. Its completion, free from debt, is much to the credit of the vestry and congregation, and

is especially due to the energy of the Rector, who has given to the work his constant personal attendance. The neighborhood is rapidly improving, and there is reason to hope, through God's blessing on the labors of an experienced Pastor, that this neat and attractive rural sanctuary will ere long be filled.

St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, has been enlarged by the addition of thirty-two pews, and otherwise improved. It was re-opened for divine service, January 14th, 1855.

The Parish of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, has commenced, and is rapidly proceeding with the erection of a new and substantial stone Church, which will afford greatly increased accommodation.—The crowded state of their present house of worship, and encouraging prosperity of the Parish, make the call for this improvement very pressing.

#### CHURCHES VISITED.

All the Parishes have been visited, and nearly all more than once. On these occasions I have officiated, by preaching, in the Church of the Ascension, Brandywine Hundred, once; in Trinity Chapel, Wilmington, ten times; in Immanuel Church, New-Castle, twice; in Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, four times; in St. James', Stanton, once; in St. Thomas', Newark, four times; in Christ Church, Delaware City, once; and at Fort Delaware, once; in St. Anne's, Appoquinimink, twice; in St. Peter's, Smyrna, four times; at Dover, once; in Christ Church, Milford, twice; at Milton, twice; in St. Paul's, Georgetown, three times; in St. Peter's, Lewes, three times; in St. George's, Indian River, twice; in Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck, once; in St. Mark's, Millsboro', twice; in Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, twice; in St. Luke's, Seaford, twice; in St. John's, Little Hill, twice; in Christ Church, Broad Creek, twice; in St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel, twice; in all, exclusive of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, fifty-six times.

On six occasions I administered the Holy Communion.

In St. Peter's Parish, Smyrna, I baptized one adult, a lady extremely ill, and since deceased, and one infant, the child of the Rector.

I also officiated at the burial of an estimable lady, a member of Christ Church, Delaware City, whose loss to that struggling Parish seems almost irreparable.

### CONFIRMATIONS.

St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	29
Trinity, Wilmington, (including two sick persons in private,)				8
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	16
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	-	8
St. James', Stanton,	-	-	-	1
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	3
St. Anne's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	-	3
St. John's, Little Hill, (one sick person in private,)				4
St. Peter's Lewes,	-	-	-	2
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	-	2
St. George's, Indian River,	-	-	-	2
St. Mark's, Millsboro',	-	-	-	1
St. Luke's Seaford,	-	-	-	1
Christ Church, Milford, (during Convention,)	-	-		3
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Total,				83

### ORDINATIONS.

January 13th, 1855, in St. Thomas' Church, Newark, I ordained the Rev. William H. Brooks, Presbyter.

Easter Sunday, April 8th, 1855, in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, I admitted the Rev. John Atkinson to the order of Deacons.

### CLERICAL CHANGES.

Added to the Diocese the Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst, from Pennsylvania, November 7th, 1854, and the Rev. J. Atkinson, by ordination.

Removed, the Rev. Breed Batcheler to the Diocese of Maryland, November 15th, 1854, and the Rev. William H. Brooks, to Massachusetts, April 6th, 1855.

The Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst has accepted an invitation from St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, to be assistant minister, and also officiates at the Union Meeting-House in Brandywine Hundred.

The Rev. William H. Brooks resigned the Rectorship of St. Thomas' Church, Newark, March 8th, 1855. The Parish is not yet supplied, although the vestry entertain the hope that it soon will be. Christ Church, Delaware City, is yet without a settled Pastor, but has been, except during the winter, generally supplied with ministerial services. The Rev. A. S. Colton officiated there last summer and fall, and has since been employed in supplying other vacancies. I have al-

ready alluded to the loss which the Church, just mentioned, has sustained by death. Immanuel Church, New-Castle, has also been heavily afflicted by similar visitations, several gentlemen, known and respected throughout the State, and some of them members of the vestry, having been summoned hence by the God of the spirits of all flesh. Among them is the name of the late lamented Chief Justice Booth. Scarce can a Conventional Address be penned without calling for the tribute of affectionate regret to brethren or friends departed. "Be ye also ready."

#### CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

There have been admitted as candidates for holy orders :

July 21st, 1854, Thomas Mills Martin.

October 6th, 1854, the Rev. John Atkinson, a licentiate of the (N. S.) Presbyterian Church.

January 15th, 1855, William Marshall.

There are at present three candidates belonging to the Diocese :

William H. D. Hutton, from November 9th, 1853.

Thomas M. Martin, " July 21st, 1854.

William Marshall, " January 5th, 1855.

The times, dear brethren, are of a coloring to appeal strongly to Christian hearts. There is agitation not only on the surface of society, but far down in the depths of the great ocean of humanity.—The flames of a desperate and sanguinary war have blazed up on the other side of the Atlantic. Our own fair land has been, during the last year, almost threatened with famine, and many portions have been scourged with pestilence. There is unwonted stir and commotion ; mighty energies are waking to life and conflict, and rapid changes are taking place.

At such a period our holy religion is the only effectual stay, bulwark and hope. What inducement to those who enjoy its precious privileges and consolations, to be true to their principles, firm in maintaining, zealous and liberal in extending them ? What necessity is laid upon God's commissioned ambassadors, to be in labors more abundant, to preach the word, to be instant in season, out of season, and to devise ways for bringing our embassy to bear with greatest power and success upon the souls and lives of men ? A languid perfunctory discharge of expected duties should not satisfy the earnest

minister of Christ. Neither is he to measure the services which he renders by the pecuniary compensation which they receive. Sadly inadequate in many instances is this requital, and too many of those who enjoy Christian ministrations forget that the laborer is worthy of his hire, and that the Lord hath ordained that they who preach the gospel shall live of the gospel.

But all that the ministers of the Lord can do should be done with willing hearts, as our poor return for the unspeakable mercy of our own salvation, from love to our blessed Redeemer, and to the souls for whom he died ; for we serve the Lord Christ. At a time of so much interest every enlightened and attached member of our Church must desire that her light shine brightly, and prove a beacon to guide tempest-tossed wanderers into the haven of rest. That the practical working of our Church system might be better adapted to the circumstances in which the Lord hath placed her, her ministrations be rendered more acceptable and efficient, her influence thus widened, and her field enlarged, I entertain no manner of doubt.

The calm, earnest consideration of this subject which marks the present mind of the Church, and which has found expression in various ways, is in my view, a most hopeful indication. May the Lord guide this tendency to blessed results, so that our Church may become more eminently a joy and praise in the land, and the cause of truth, righteousness, and peace be greatly furthered. And to this end may he pour out upon our whole communion a spirit of enlarged and fervent supplication. How much need we, individually, in our parishes, and in our Conventions, the spirit of love, and of power, and of a sound mind. Let our prayers go up unitedly, fervently, perseveringly to the throne of grace, and God will arise and have mercy upon Zion. The time to favor her, yea the set time, will have fully come.

ALFRED LEE.

On motion of the Rev. John L. McKim, the Committee on the Glebe of Christ Church, Dover, was continued.

On motion of the Rev. Hiram R. Harrold, it was

*Resolved*, That 600 copies of the Journal be printed, and distributed according to the rule adopted by the Convention of 1848, and amended by that of 1845.

On motion of the Rev. Hiram R. Harrold, it was

*Resolved*, That the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese, as amended, be published with the Journal of this Convention.

Mr. Alexis I. Du Pont then brought forward the amendment of the 3d Article of the Constitution, the consideration of which was postponed from last Convention, as appears by reference to page 13 of the Journal.

On motion of Mr. Samuel Baily, the consideration of the proposed amendment was indefinitely postponed.

The Committee appointed to devise means for providing for the relief of disabled Clergymen, reported :

"That they deem the Rev. Corry Chambers entitled to receive assistance from this Diocese.

They recommend that this assistance be furnished in the form of a pension, or definite sum, not exceeding \$250 00 per annum.

Also, that this pension be disbursed by a Committee, known as "The Relief Committee for the assistance of infirm and disabled Clergymen."

Also, that it be the duty of the parishes and of the individual members of the Church to contribute to a fund for this object.

This report was adopted, and on motion of Capt. S. F. Du Pont, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee presenting the report be, and are hereby constituted "The Relief Committee for the Assistance of Infirm and Disabled Clergymen," viz :

Rev. John B. Clemson,  
 " Charles Breck,  
 Capt. S. F. Du Pont,  
 Henry F. Rodney,  
 George W. Green.

The bill of Evans & Vernon for advertising, amounting to \$2 50; the bill of Rev. William H. Brooks, Secretary, for expenses officially incurred, amounting to \$3 50, and the bill of Stavely & McCalla, for printing 750 copies of the Bishop's Third Charge and 600 copies of the Journal, amounting to \$124 75, were read, and the Treasurer directed to pay the same.

On motion of Mr. Samuel Baily, the Treasurer was directed to pay the Sexton of Christ Church, Milford, the usual compensation for his attendance during the session of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Hiram R. Harrold, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the wardens and vestry of Christ Church, Milford, and also to the residents of the Town, for their kindness and attention to the members.

The Report of the Missionary and Education Committee was then presented by the Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter :

**THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.**

The Committee have taken frequent occasion, in presenting their annual reports, to press the claims of the great cause of Christian Missions upon the affections and charities of their brethren, and to present to the notice of the Convention and Parishes different portions of our own Missionary field.

Hence they deem it sufficient to lay before the present meeting a simple abstract of the receipts and expenditures of the past year.

It may be remarked that two of the laborers in our Diocese, the Rev. Messrs. Hall and Cadle, are Missionaries of the Domestic Committee of the General Board.

The contributions of the different parishes have been for the objects herein specified, viz :

Balance in hands of Committee,	-	-	-	\$45 77
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*Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.*

For Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$50 18
For Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	19 57
For Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	52 73
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*St. Andrew's, Wilmington.*

For Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	32 72
For Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	100 00
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*St. Thomas', Newark.*

For Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	14 00
For Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	20 50
For Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	26 00
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*St. Peter's, Smyrna.*

For Domestic Missions	-	-	-	-	5 00
For Foreign Missions	-	-	-	-	11 27
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*St. John's Church, Little Hill.*

For Diocesan Missions, - - - -	2 95
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*Christ Church, Broad Creek.*

For Diocesan Missions, - - - -	50
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*St. George's Church, Indian River.*

For Diocesan Missions, - - - -	2 25
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*Chapel of Comforter, Long Neck.*

For Diocesan Missions, - - - -	2 12
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*St. Mark's, Millsboro.*

For Diocesan Missions, - - - -	8 90
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*Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.*

For Diocesan Missions, - - - -	1 25
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*St. Luke's Church, Seaford.*

For Diocesan Missions, - - - -	1 00
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*Trinity Church, Wilmington.*

For Diocesan Missions, - - - -	20 00
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*St. Philip's Church, Laurel.*

For Diocesan Missions, - - - -	3 00
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Collection at Missionary Sermon, 1854, -	3 10
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\$417 81

The Committee have made the following appropriations :

To the Domestic Committee at New York, - -	\$83 31
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To Foreign Missions, as directed - - - -	190 00
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To Missionary Association, for West, - - - -	5 00
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To Rev. Asa S. Colton, - - - -	80 00
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To Rev. George Hall, - - - -	30 00
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To Rev. Richard F. Cadle, - - - -	30 00
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\$418 81

Showing a deficit of 50 cents.

On motion of the Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter, it was

*Resolved,* That it is the sense of this Convention, that the devotional element should enter more largely into the proceedings of this body, and therefore, that the Bishop be respectfully requested, to call upon the Clergy for extra religious services, for a longer period of time than has been usually occupied at the meetings of the Convention.

The minutes of the morning and afternoon Sessions of the Convention were then read and approved.

The Convention then adjourned to meet at 8½ o'clock, P. M., for Evening Service.

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CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD, MAY 30th, 1855.

The Convention re-assembled at 8½, P. M., for Divine Worship.

The Order for Daily Evening Prayer was read by the Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

The Order of Confirmation was then administered by the Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, three candidates being presented by the Rev. John L. McKim, Rector of Christ Church, Milford.

The Missionary Sermon was preached by the Rev. Charles Breck, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington, after which the Bishop delivered a brief Address, previous to adjournment.

The congregation having been dismissed, the Bishop called the house to order, and

On motion of the Rev. Asa S. Colton, the Convention adjourned sine die.

Attest,

ALEXIS L. DU PONT, Secretary.

## DIOCESE OF DELAWARE, 1855.

THE RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Bishop, and President of  
Convention. Residence, Wilmington.

### Standing Committee.

Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Wilmington, *Chairman*,  
" Charles Breck,  
" John B. Clemson,  
Samuel Baily, Esq., Wilmington, *Secretary*,  
Solomon M. Curtis, Esq.

### Deputies to the General Convention.

Rev. G. W. Ridgley,	Capt. S. F. Du Pont,
" S. T. Carpenter,	Hon. C. S. Layton,
" George Hall,	J. F. Burton, Esq.,
" S. C. Brinckle,	Hon. J. J. Milligan.

### Missionary and Education Committee.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman*,  
Rev. S. T. Carpenter,  
" S. C. Brinckle,  
J. F. Wilson, M. D., Wilmington, *Treasurer*,  
E. G. Bradford, Esq.

### Relief Committee for the Assistance of Infirm and Disabled Clergymen.

Rev. John B. Clemson,	Capt. S. F. Du Pont,
" Charles Breck,	Henry F. Rodney,
George W. Green.	

### Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

Hon. Caleb S. Layton,	Hon. Edward Wootten,
William T. Read, Esq.,	J. W. Thomson, M. D.

**Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, for Delaware.**

Rev. G. W. Ridgely,

Edward G. Bradford, Esq.

**Committee on the Glebe of Christ Church.**

George W. Cummins, Esq.,

William T. Read, Esq.,

Hon. Edward Wootten.



*Treasurer of Convention*, JOHN B. LEWIS, Esq., Wilmington.

*Secretary of Convention*, ALEXIS I. DU PONT, Christiana Hd  
[Post Office, Wilmington.]

# APPENDIX.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CLAYMONT, BRANDYWINE HUNDRED, NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

This Church was consecrated early in the last Autumn, an encouraging number of pews let, and services commenced, and for a time well sustained. But owing to great discomfort in the cold weather, worship for a time was necessarily suspended. It is now weekly celebrated with good attendance, and we doubt not, but that this infant Parish will eventually become both large and strong. Owing to the intermission in the services, there has been as yet no administration of the Communion, no Sunday School organization, and no formal collections for objects beyond the Parish. All these will shortly receive due attention, and our next report we trust will show something accomplished.

JOHN B. CLEMSON, Rector.

Claymont, May 28th, 1855.

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### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, Rector.

Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst, Assistant.

Baptisms—Adults 11, Infant 24.	Total,	-	-	35
Confirmed,	-	-	-	29
Communicants, number last reported,	-	-	-	198
“ Since removed,	-	-	-	21
“ Died,	-	-	-	4
“ Suspended,	-	-	-	1
“ Withdrawn,	-	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	-	39
“ Present number,	-	-	-	209
Marriages,	-	-	-	7
Funerals,	-	-	-	13

**Sunday Schools, White,**

Teachers, Male	15,	Female	24,	Total,	39
Scholars, "	142,	"	213.	"	355

**Colored,**

Teachers, Male	7,	Female	14.	Total,	21
Scholars, "	91,	"	114.	"	205
Bible Class, "	12,	"	70.	"	82

**Contributions—Missions, Diocesan and**

Domestic,	-	-	-	-	\$87 75
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Foreign,	-	-	-	-	84 55
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Sunday Schools—Domestic,	-	50	28		
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Foreign,	-	27	14		
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Other objects,		46	96—124	38	
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Evangelical Knowledge Society,	-	-	28	80	
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Communion Alms,	-	-	65	59	
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Dorcas Society—Episcopate \$100, Conven-					
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tion fund \$15,	-	-	-	-	115 00
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Enlargement of the Church,	-	-	2100	00	
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Total,	-	-	-	\$2606	08
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During the past year the enlargement of this Church, to which reference has been made in the preceding report, has been effected, giving thirty-two additional pews, and adding much to the convenience of the building and to the comfort of the congregation. As this improvement could only be effected by taking down the front wall and tower, and extending to the street line, it was rendered considerably more troublesome and expensive than it would have otherwise been. But the interior of the edifice is now better proportioned, as well as more spacious, and the number of attendants on divine worship has much increased. The Sunday School room has also been enlarged, so that it can now accommodate four hundred.

The Church was closed for this purpose, after the first Sunday in August. Divine service was resumed in the lecture room, on the 5th November, and in the Church, on the 14th January. During the time their own Sanctuary was closed, the Parishioners received from the vestry of Trinity Church a kind offer of the Old Swedes' Church for their use, and were indebted to the congregation of Trinity Church, for a courteous welcome to their pews.

The Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst has been assisting the Rector in

Parochial duties since November, and has accepted an invitation from the vestry to become Assistant Minister. The blessing of the Lord has, we trust, not been withheld from the ministry of his word and ordinances, and there is much in the review of the last year, to cheer our hearts and strengthen our faith.

ALFRED LEE.

**REPORT OF THE REV. SAMUEL HAZLEHURST, ASSISTANT MINISTER  
OF ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.**

My duties in this Parish, commenced the 12th November, 1854. In addition to reading the service for the Rector and preaching during his absence, I have baptised one infant and officiated at one funeral. I have also held one service every other Sunday, at the Union Meeting house, in Brandywine Hundred.

SAMUEL HAZLEHURST, Assistant.

**REPORT OF TRINITY CHURCH, WILMINGTON.**

Baptisms—Adults 5, Infants 56.	Total,	-	-	61
Confirmed,	-	-	-	8
Communicants—Died,	-	-	-	7
“ Removed,	-	-	-	5
“ Withdrawn,	-	-	-	3
“ Added,	-	-	-	26
“ Present number,	-	-	-	167
“ Marriages,	-	-	-	9
“ Burials,	-	-	-	43
Sunday School—Scholars,	-	-	-	200
“ Teachers,	-	-	-	28
Public services—On Sundays 128, other days 120,				248
General parochial visits 465; visits to the sick 395,				860

The Treasurer's report exhibits the following account :

For Sunday Schools,	-	-	-	\$75 89
Domestic Missions, -	-	-	-	155 00
Diocesan, “	-	-	-	20 00
Communion Alma, -	-	-	-	226 81
Poor of Parish,	-	-	-	55 46
Disabled Clergymen,	-	-	-	31 77
Repairs at Old Church,	-	-	-	311 99
Episcopal and Convention Fund,	-	-	-	93 00

Ladies Association, - - - - -	100 00
Current Expenses at Chapel, - - - - -	1255 39
"          "      at Old Church, - - - - -	269 14
Debt and interest, - - - - -	1204 00
Incidental Expenses, - - - - -	374 18

Total, - - - - - \$4271 53

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

CHRIST CHURCH, CHRISTIANA HUNDRED.

Baptisms, Infants, - - - - -	24
Confirmed, - - - - -	16
Communicants—number last reported, - - - - -	65
"      Since removed, - - - - -	7
"      Died, - - - - -	1
"      Added, - - - - -	23
"      Present number, - - - - -	80
Catechetical Class, about - - - - -	50
Marriages, - - - - -	7
Funerals, - - - - -	8
Contributions—Diocesan Missions, - - - - -	\$50 18
"      Domestic, - - - - -	19 57
"      Foreign, - - - - -	52 73
"      Episcopate, - - - - -	82 50
"      Convention Fund, - - - - -	12 00
"      Bp. White Prayer Book Society, - - - - -	15 00
"      Communion Alms, (including \$24 28 for Rev. Corry Cham- bers, as recommended by the Convention,) - - - - -	64 28
"      Other purposes, - - - - -	352 48
"      For Building the new church, - - - - -	5341 38
"      To which may be added pro- ceeds of a sale for the pur- chase of an organ, - - - - -	550 00
	<u>\$6490 12</u>

Public Services—On Sundays 52, other days 9, total, 61

REMARKS.—In August last ground was broken for a new Church, which, Providence favoring, will be completed in the course of the

present season. A Parish Mutual Aid Society has been established, which, though small, promises to be useful.

S. C. BRINKLE, Rector.

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IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW-CASTLE.

Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ Died,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	59
“ Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	8
“ Baptisms—Adult 1, Infants 9,	-	-	-	-	-	10
“ Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	10
Sunday Scholars—Male 38, Female 36. Total,	-	-	-	-	-	74
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$80	00
“ Foreign,	-	-	-	-	40	00
“ Alms to the Poor,	-	-	-	-	50	00
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	50	00
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	10	00
						—————\$180 00

THOMAS F. BILLOPP, Rector.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, STANTON.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Died,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	12
“ Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	11
Sunday School Teachers—Male 3, Female 3. Total,	-	-	-	-	-	6
Scholars—Male 20, Female 25. Total,	-	-	-	-	-	45
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$3	32
“ Foreign,	-	-	-	-	2	67
“ Bp. White Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	2	66
“ Episcopal and Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	11	00
						—————\$19 65

Public Services—On Sunday mornings, - - - 52

In the District School Room there have been evening services well attended.

GEORGE SHEETS, Rector.

**ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEWARK.**

<b>Families 21, Adults 75, Children 57. Total,</b>	-	<b>132</b>
<b>Baptisms—Adult 1, Infants 6. Total,</b>	-	<b>7</b>
<b>Communicants—Number in last Report,</b>	-	<b>18</b>
“ Since Removed,	-	5
“ Died,	-	1
“ Added, -	-	13
“ Present number, :	-	25
“ Marriages, -	-	1
“ Funerals, -	-	6
<b>Sunday School Teachers—Male 1, Female 2. Total,</b>	-	<b>3</b>
“ “ Scholars—Male 12, Female 5. “	-	17
<b>Volumes in the Sunday School Library,</b>	-	<b>128</b>
“ - “ “ Parish “ “ -	-	249
<b>Contributions—Diocesan Missions,(of which \$2 00 was</b>		
from the Sunday School,	<b>\$7 00</b>	
“ Domestic Missions, (of which		
\$3 00 was from the Sunday		
School,)	-	<b>20 50</b>
“ Foreign Missions, (of which		
\$5 00 was from the Sunday		
School,)	-	<b>26 00</b>
“ Relief of disabled Clergyman		
of the Diocese, -	-	<b>17 00</b>
“ Purchase of Bibles, -	-	<b>5 80</b>
“ Purchase of Publications of		
the Evan. Knowledge So.,	<b>6 01</b>	
“ Bp. White Prayer Book So.,	<b>5 00</b>	
“ Evangelical Knowledge So.,	<b>9 50</b>	
“ Sunday School, -	-	<b>6 66</b>
“ Supplying the Parishioners with		
the Parish Visitor, -	-	<b>5 82</b>
“ Parish Library, -	-	<b>4 53</b>
“ Other purposes, -	-	<b>87 71</b>
	<b>—————</b>	<b>\$201 53</b>

**Pages of Tract Publications, distributed by the Rector, 13757**

**The Holy Communion—Number of times celebrated, - 6**

**Public Services—On Sundays 80, other days 9. Total, 89**

**WILLIAM H. BROOKS, Late Rector.**

**REMARKS.**—This Report extends to March 8th, 1855, at which time I resigned the Rectorship of the Parish, having accepted a call to the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Lenox, Diocese of Massachusetts. During the past winter a Rector's Bible Class was held on Friday evenings; it was occupied with the examination of the book of Genesis. Besides the 25 communicants reported above, there are enrolled on the Parish Register, at their own request, the names of 14 others who consider themselves as connected with the Parish.—These persons have emigrated from Ireland within the last three years, and the most of them, before coming to the United States were communicants of the Established Church of England and Ireland. Owing to the distance at which they live from the Church, and having no conveyances of their own, many of them have not been able to participate in the Communion, whilst the rest have but seldom enjoyed that holy ordinance; it is on this account that they are not reported as communicants, in the full sense of that term. The Rector has endeavored by frequent parochial visits, and the distribution of Bibles, Prayer Books, Tracts and Papers, to supply their spiritual wants.

**ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEWARK.**

Report of Benj. Caulk and Solomon Leech, Wardens, May 30, 1855.

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Removed,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	24
Contributions—Missionary,	-	✓	-	-	\$7	00
“ Episcopal and Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	17	00
“ Other purposes,	-	-	-	-	34	77
Total,	-	-	-	-	\$58	77
Services on Sundays,	-	-	-	-	-	10

**REMARKS.**—This is in addition to the Report of the late Rector. The regular services of the Church have been held, with the exception of one Sunday. The Rev. Richard Channing Moore has been called to the Rectorship, but has not yet accepted.

**REPORT OF CLERICAL SERVICES BY THE REV. A. S. COLTON, FOR  
THE YEAR ENDING MAY 13th, 1855.**

From May 7th to October 29th, 1854, I officiated afternoons, every second Sunday, at the Union Church, Brandywine Hundred,

and since that occasionally, in company with the Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst.

From May 28th to October 15th, 1854, every second Sunday, in the morning at Fort Delaware, and in the afternoon at Delaware City.

Other services in preaching have been, once at the Alms House, twice at St. Andrew's, twice at Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, eleven times at St. Thomas', Newark, fourteen times at Marcus Hook, Pa., twice at Chester, and three times in Philadelphia.

#### AT DELAWARE CITY.

Baptisms—Adult 1, Infant 1. Total,	-	-	-	2
Confirmed,	-	-	-	3

ASA S. COLTON, Missionary.

#### ST. ANN'S CHURCH, MIDDLETOWN.

Baptisms—Adults 3, Infants 4. Total,	-	-	7
Confirmed,	-	-	2
Communicants—Number last reported	-	-	46
“ Since removed,	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	46
“ Marriages,	-	-	10
“ Funerals,	-	-	2
Sunday School—Teachers, male 2, female 2, total,	-	-	4
“ Scholars,	-	-	12
Contributions—Missions, Foreign,	-	-	\$6 00
“ “ Domestic,	-	-	13 00
“ Prayer Books,	-	-	5 75
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Public services on Sunday mornings, and on the principal Holy days. There have also been regular services held for the past six months, in the village of Warwick, in Maryland, near which some of the Parishioners reside, once in two weeks in the afternoon. The grave yard and Rectory yard have been materially beautified since the last report.

HIRAM R. HARROLD, Rector.

#### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA.

Baptisms—Adults 2, Infants 3. Total,	-	-	5
Communicants—Number last reported,	-	-	20

Communicants—Since removed,	-	-	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	20
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	4
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 2, Female 5. Total,					7
“ Scholars, “ 23, “ 27. “	-				50
Rector's Bible Class, Male and Female, about	-				12
Contributions—Missions, Foreign	-	-		\$11 31	
“ “ Domestic,	-	-		5 00	
“ Rev. Corry Chambers,	-			8 00	
“ Prayer Books,	-	-		4 45	
“ Evangelical Knowledge Society,					
books and papers,	-	-		6 28	
“ Episcopate 10, Convention 5,	-			15 00	
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				\$50 04	

**REMARKS.**—Of the five baptisms reported above, it is sad to remark, that three of them were left to be performed in the sick room. A weekly meeting of the Communicants, has been held at the Rector's study, Monday afternoons, for social exercises, prayer and conversation. Much good is looked for from this effort to bring Communicants together. During last winter I performed missionary service several times, on the afternoons of Sunday, at Blackbird. During the summer and fall months, I preached once in two weeks in like manner, at a missionary point about three miles from Smyrna.

**SAMUEL TONKIN CARPENTER, Rector.**

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**CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER.**

I have lately renewed my services in this Church, after an interruption during the winter.

**S. T. CARPENTER, Missionary.**

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**CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD.**

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	3
Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	-	-	8
“ Died,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	11
Public services—Sundays,	-	-	-	-	-	24

Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	\$5 00
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	4 50
“ Other purposes, about	-	-	110 00
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Total,	-	-	\$119 50

I am happy to report decided indications of improvement and progress, in this Congregation. The attendance on the public services continues good. And the spirit of knowledge and true godliness is evidently increased.

The Church has recently been new painted internally, and carpeted, which, with the purchase of a small Organ last summer, has occasioned the expenditure noticed above.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	3
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Removed,	-	-	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	16
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	16
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	7
Public services—Sundays,	-	-	-	-	26
“ Other days,	-	-	-	-	3
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Total,	-	-	-	-	29
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	-	\$5 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	8 50	
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Total,	-	-	-	\$13 50	

To other purposes, principally to Church missions in various quarters, donations have been freely made by different individuals of the Congregation. But the necessity of making extensive repairs on the Church edifice, (this season if possible,) renders it inadvisable for the present, to take general collections for Missionary purposes.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	●	-	\$	6 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-		15 00	
					—————	\$21 00
Public services Sundays, (about)	-	-	-	-	-	15

Of the Communicants reported last year, one has recently been removed to her reward in the better world. The present number is about the same as then. The Sunday School of the Parish is in a very flourishing condition, and is indeed the hope of the Church, in this her season of embarrassment and destitution. It is under the excellent management of the Rev. David McIlvaine, Deacon : who also continues to be useful in the various duties of his ministry, most cheerfully and constantly performed. The enterprise of building a new Church progresses slowly, but nevertheless progresses. A considerable portion of the material is procured and paid for, and it is expected the work of laying the wall will be begun in a few days. The hope is entertained that the house may be enclosed before next winter ; and afterwards gradually completed, as the means may be got in hand.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

## ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, INDIAN RIVER, AND THE CHAPEL OF THE COMFORTER, LONG NECK.

Baptisms—Adults, colored 3 ; Infants, white 1, colored 2, total	6
Confirmed,	2
Communicants—Number in last report,	21
“ Added,	3
“ Present number,	24
“ Funerals,	3
Sunday Schools—Teachers, Male 2, Female 3. Total,	5
“ Scholars,	35
Contributions—Missions,	\$4 37½
“ Communion,	2 50
“ Convention Fund,	5 00
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Total,	\$11 87½
Public services on Sundays,	49

REMARKS.—I married one couple in Lewes.

GEORGE HALL, Rector.

## ST. MARK'S, MILLBORO'.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	4
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—At last report,	-	-	-	-	-	10
Died,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Added,	-	-	-	-	-	8
Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	12
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Contributions—Missions,	-	-	-	\$3	90	
“ Communion Alms,	-	-	-	8	00	
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	5	00	
Total,	-	-	-	\$11	90	
Public services on Sundays,	-	-	-	-	-	25

GEORGE HALL, Rector.

## GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE MILLS.

Communicants—Last reported,	-	-	-	-	8
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	8
“ Funerals,	-	-	-	-	8
Contributions—Missions,	-	-	-	\$1	25
“ Communion Alms,	-	-	-	80	
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	5	00
Total,	-	-	-	\$7	05
Public services on Sundays,	-	-	-	-	25

REMARKS.—A Sunday School will be commenced in a few weeks. Teachers and scholars are already engaged. We are waiting for books. A new fence around the Church yard is just completed but not paid for.

GEORGE HALL, Rector.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LITTLE HILL.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	3
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	4
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	-	31
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	-	2
“ Returned,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Omitted in last report,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	8

"	Present number,	-	-	-	34
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	1

There were two Sunday Schools in this Parish, during the summer of 1854: one at the Church consisting of about twelve children, taught by myself with occasional assistance from others; and another at the distance of several miles from the Church, under the care of a vestryman, sometimes aided in teaching by another person, which school was attended by about twenty children. I have formed a catechetical class at the Church this spring, which as yet is composed of five children.

Contributions, all made on Communion occasions, excepting the collection for Convention fund.

Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$2 50
Disabled Clergymen,	-	-	-	-	1 55
Parochial Objects,	-	-	-	-	1 00
Convention Funds,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Total,					<u>\$10 05</u>
Public seivices on Sundays,					22
Other Days,					9
Total,					<u>31</u>

The Lord's supper has been administered publicly five times, and twice in private to a sick person. The Bishop visited this Church and preached on the morning of Sunday, the 27th day of May, 1855, also on the morning of Tuesday, October 24th, 1854.

RICHARD F. CADLE, Minister.

**CHRIST CHURCH, BROAD CREEK, AND ST. PHILIP'S CHAPEL, LAUREL.**

Baptisms—Adults 1, Infants, 10. Total,	-	-	11
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	17
" Since removed,	-	-	1
" Died,	-	-	1
" Omitted in last report	-	-	1
" Added	-	-	5
" Present number	-	-	21
Marriages,	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	8

Contribution—Domestic Missions,	-	\$2 50
“ Convention Fund,	- -	5 00
“ Parochial Objects,	- -	4 00
“ Disabled Clergymen,	- -	1 00
“ Diocesan Missions	- -	3 00

Total, \$15 50

Of this sum \$12 40 were collected on occasion of the administration of the Lord's supper.

Public services on Sundays,	- - - -	42
Other days, - - - -	- - - -	23
Total,		65

The Lord's supper has been administered in Christ Church, Broad Creek, twice : in St: Philip's, Laurel, three times ; and in a distant part of the Parish, once, to two aged and infirm persons, after evening service and a sermon, a small congregation being collected, and two other persons receiving with those for whom this service was especially designed.

The Bishop preached in Christ Church, Broad Creek in the afternoon of Wednesday October 25th 1854 and in the afternoon of Sunday May 27th 1855, and at St Philip's Chapel, Laurel, in the evening of Wednesday October 25th 1854, and in the evening of Sunday May 27, 1855.

RICHARD F. CADLE, Minister.

#### ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD.

Baptisms—Infants,	- - - -	10
Confirmed,	- - - -	1
Communicants—Number in last report,	- - - -	14
“ Removed,	- - - -	1
“ Added,	- - - -	2
“ Present number,	- - - -	15

There is a catechetical class, formed on the 22d of April last, consisting of 16 children, who are instructed by myself on Sunday mornings from 9 till 10 o'clock, A. M. This class will become in a few weeks a Bible class.

Contributions—Domestic Missions,	- -	\$1 00
“ Disabled Clergymen,	- -	1 00

Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	\$5 00
“ Parochial objects,	-	-	17 84½
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	5 50
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			\$30 34½

Of the Contributions \$15 44½ were collected at the administration of the Holy Communion.

Public services—On Sundays,	-	-	-	-	30
“ Other days,	-	-	-	-	10
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Total,	-	-	-	-	40

The Lord's supper has been publicly administered six times. The Bishop visited this Church, and preached in it on the morning of Thursday, October 26th, 1854, and on the morning of Monday, May 28th, 1855.

RICHARD F. CADLE, Minister.

The following is the amount of Assessment on each Parish in the Diocese for the support of the Episcopate, which is to be remitted annually to the Treasurer of the Convention, in accordance with Cannon XV:

St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	-	\$104 50
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	-	88 50
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	-	-	40 00
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	-	-	-	-	-	29 50
St. James', Stanton,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	-	-	-	12 00
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	-	-	-	28 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	-	2 50
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	-	-	5 50
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	-	-	-	8 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	-	-	-	-	15 00
St. George's, Indian River,	-	-	-	-	-	12 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	-	-	-	-	-	4 00
St. John's Church, Little Hill,	-	-	-	-	-	17 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	-	-	-	10 50
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	-	-	-	7 50

The following table exhibits the sum which each Parish is required to contribute to the Convention Fund in accordance with Canon X:

St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	-	\$15 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	-	15 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	-	-	12 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. James', Stanton,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
St. George's, Indian River,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. John's Church, Little Hill,	-	-	-	-	-	8 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00



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*John B. Lewis, Treasurer.*

1854,			
May 80,	To balance in Treasury,		\$56 00
" 81,	To cash from St. James' Church, Stanton,		5 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,		5 00
" "	" " St. George's Church, Indian River,		5 00
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,		5 00
" "	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,		6 00
" "	" " St. Mark's, Millsboro,		5 00
" "	" " Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,		5 00
" "	" " St. John's, Little Hill,		5 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel,		5 00
" "	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford,		5 00
June 1,	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		5 00
Aug. 8,	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,		10 00
1855.			
May 12,	" " St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington,		15 00
" 14,	" " St. James' Church, Stanton,		5 00
" 26,	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington,		15 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		12 00
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			\$179 00
1855.			
May 81,	To balance in Treasury,		\$101 21

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1854.			
May 81,	To cash from St. James' Church, Stanton,		\$6 00
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		6 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,		6 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,		15 00
" "	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford,		5 00
June 2,	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		8 00
" 14,	" " A. G. Jones, Rev. Mr. B.,		1 00
1855.			
May 2,	" " St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington,		100 00
" 14,	" " St. James' Church, Stanton,		6 00
" 26,	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington,		78 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		82 50
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			\$268 50
1855.			
May 81,	To balance in hands of Treasurer,		\$110 50

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# Abstract of Parochial Reports—1855.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	BAPTISMS.				COMMUNICANTS.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				CONTRIBUTIONS.						REMARKS.								
	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Added.	Present Number.	Marriages.	Funerals.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Missions.	Episcopal Fund.	Convention Fund.	Other Purposes.	Total.										
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	24	11	35	29	4	24	89	209	7	18	15	32	47	283	827	580	249	72	100	00	15	00	2379	00	2643	72	Right Rev. Alfred Lee
Trinity Church,	56	6	61	8	7	8	26	167	9	48			200	175	00	78	00	15	00	4008	58	4271	58			Rev. S. Haslehurst, As	
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	24		24	16	1	7	28	80	7	8			50	104	80	32	50	12	00	6840	82	6490	12			" Charles Brock.	
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	9	1	10	8	1	1	4	59	8	10			74	70	00	50	00	10	00	60	00	180	00			" B. C. Brinkley.	
St. Thomas' Church, Newark,	7	1	8	1	1	5	18	25	1	6			45	58	00	12	00	5	00	200	80	270	80			" T. F. Bullopp.	
St. James' "	2		2	1	1		2	12		11			12	6	97	6	00	5	00	2	66	19	68			Vacant.	
St. Anne's "	4	3	7	2		2	2	46	10	2			8	20	25	17	00	45	00	5	75	24	75			" G. Sheets.	
St. Peter's "	3	2	5	3		2	2	20	4				2	2	5	12	19	00	10	00	5	00	18	78			" H. R. Harrold.
Christ "	2		2	2		1	3	11					28	27		50	16	81	4	50	5	00	110	00			" S. T. Carpenter.
St. Paul's "	3		3	2		2	1	16	16	7									8	50	5	00					" J. L. McKim.
St. Peter's "	2		2	2				30											8	50	5	00					
St. George's "	3		3	2			8	24		3											5	00	2	50			" George Hall.
Chapel of Comfort, L. N.,																											
St. Mark's Church, Millsboro,	4		4	1		1	8	12		2											5	00	3	00			
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,								3													5	00	5	00			
St. John's, Church, Little Hill,	3		3	4			4	34	1	1											5	00	2	55			
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	10	1	11			1	6	21	2	8											5	00	5	00			" R. F. Cottle.
St. Philips Church, Laurel,	10		10			1	2	16													5	00	19	34			
St. Luke's "	10		10	1		1															5	00					
Ascension Church, Brandywine Hd.																											
Christ Church, Delaware City,	1		1	3																							" John B. Clemens
St. John Baptist Church, Milton,																											" A. R. Colton, MI
Grace Church, Brandywine Hd.																											
Christ "																											
Dover,																											
Total,	167	28	189	77	18	54	183	789	60	112			100			1091	712	32	315	50	112	00	13063	96	14185	80	

## STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

*From the Episcopal Address, the Parochial Reports, &c.*

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese,	-	-	17
Number of Parishes in union with the Convention,	-	-	23
Number of Parishes without a Clergyman,	-	-	4
Number of Clergymen having more than one parochial charge,	-	-	5
Clergyman received with letters dimissory,	-	-	1
Clergymen to whom letters dimissory have been given,	-	-	2
Candidates for Holy orders, present number,	-	-	3
Churches consecrated,	-	-	1
Ordinations—Deacon 1, Priest 1,	-	-	2

The following statistics are derived from Reports :

Baptisms—Adults 25, Infants 164, total,	-	-	189
Confirmed,	-	-	77
Communicants—Added 133, lost by removal 54, lost by death 18, present number,	-	-	789
Marriages,	-	-	60
Funerals,	-	-	112
Sunday-school Teachers,	-	-	100
“ Scholars,	-	-	1091

### *Collections.*

To the Episcopal Fund, from 11 Churches,	-	\$315 50
To the Convention Fund, from 16 Churches,	-	112 00
To the Missionary and Education Committee, from 13 Churches,	-	368 54
To the Aged and Infirm Clergy, from 6 Churches,	-	110 44

Besides the above contributions, there have been contributed, according to 15 Parochial Reports,—

For other objects,	-	\$13121 40
Total amount of contributions from 17 Reports,		\$14183 80

*Summary.*

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<b>Confirmed,</b>		-	-	-	77
<b>Communicants—</b>	<b>Deceased,</b>	-	-	-	18
“	<b>Removed,</b>	-	-	-	54
“	<b>Added,</b>	-	-	-	133
“	<b>Present number,</b>	-	-	-	789
<b>Marriages,</b>		-	-	-	60
<b>Funerals,</b>		-	-	-	112
<b>Sunday School Teachers,</b>		-	-	-	100
“	<b>Scholars,</b>	-	-	-	1091
<b>Contributions—</b>	<b>Missions,</b>	-	-	-	\$ 634 90
“	<b>Episcopate,</b>	-	-	-	315 50
“	<b>Convention,</b>	-	-	-	112 00
“	<b>Other purposes</b>	-	-	-	18121 40
“	<b>Total,</b>	-	-	-	14183 80

**CONSTITUTION**  
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**ARTICLE I.**

*Of acceding to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention.*

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes and adopts the general Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

**ARTICLE II.**

*Of the Meetings of the Diocesan Convention.*

The Annual Convention of this Diocese shall be held on the last Wednesday in May, in each year, *Provided*, however, that in case of a prevailing contagious disease in the place thus designated; or a domestic insurrection in, or of an invasion of the county so named for holding the Convention, by a public enemy—that the Bishop, with the approbation of the Standing Committee; or the Standing Committee, if there be no Bishop, may appoint such other place for the annual meeting of the Convention, as they may deem expedient; of which change of the place of holding the Convention, due public notice shall be given, and also special notice to the ministers of the several parishes in this State, at such place as a previous Convention may designate. The time of meeting may be altered, from time to time, by the Convention. And special Conventions may be called by the Bishop, or, if there be none, by the Standing Committee; one month's previous notice being given.

**ARTICLE III.**

*Of Members of the Convention.*

The Convention shall be composed of the officiating Ministers regularly settled in some congregation in this Diocese; and of Lay Members, consisting of two Delegates from each congregation, to be

which shall consist of three of the clergy, and two of the laity. This committee shall continue in office until the end of the next Annual Convention, or until their successors are duly appointed. In case of a vacancy occurring, by death or otherwise, the remaining members of the committee, shall, by ballot, supply the same. The Standing Committee shall, as soon as may be after their appointment, elect from their own body a president and secretary; and if either of these offices become vacant, the vacancy shall, without delay, be filled by another election. The president shall be a presbyter. The Standing Committee shall present, to each Annual Convention, an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Convention.

## ARTICLE IX.

### *Of the Election of a Bishop.*

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in Convention, in the following manner. The order of the clergy shall nominate and appoint, by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office; and the votes of two thirds of that order shall be requisite to constitute a choice: and thereupon, such appointment shall be presented to the order of lay delegates, and be considered by them; and if, on a ballot it should appear that the person so nominated be approved of by two-thirds of the lay order, he shall then be declared to be duly elected. And upon a vacancy occurring in the Episcopal Office in this Church, by death or otherwise, such vacancy shall be supplied by an election in the manner before prescribed. No election for a Bishop shall be held, unless there be present at the time three-fourths of all the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and delegates from three-fourths of all the congregations in union with the same, and contributing to the Convention fund.

## ARTICLE X.

### *Of the trial of Clergymen.*

SECTION 1. Any Presbyter or Deacon of this Diocese may be presented for trial, for any crime or other offence, as provided in Canon XXXVII, of 1832, of the General Convention.\*

## \*CANONS OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1832.

### CANON XXXVII.

#### *Of Offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished.*

SECTION 1. Every minister shall be liable to presentment and trial, for any crime or gross immorality, for disorderly conduct, for drunkenness, for profane

**Sec. 2.** Every such presentment shall be made, in writing, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, in case of a vacancy in the office of Bishop, to the president of the Standing Committee.

**Sec. 3.** A presentment shall specify, with clearness and certainty, the offence or offences charged, and shall be signed by the persons making it.

**Sec. 4.** A presentment shall be made by a majority of the Vestry, in a Vestry meeting duly convened, of the parish with which the person accused is connected; or, if he be not connected with any parish, in which he resides; or, if he do not reside within the limits of any parish, of the parish nearest to his place of residence; or by four or more male communicants of the same; or by two presbyters of this diocese; a presentment being always made by one of the above classes, exclusive of the others; and a Deacon not being permitted to unite in a presentment.

**Sec. 5.** Upon the receipt of any such presentment, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, if he shall deem it advisable, after consultation with the Standing Committee, or with the President of the Standing Committee, as the case may be, after such advisement, to take measures for trial, and to furnish a copy of said presentment to the accused, giving him notice of the time and place of trial.

**Sec. 6.** The Bishop shall thereupon summon all the Presbyters of this Diocese, except such as may have presented, to meet at some convenient place within the same, on some day not less than thirty days after the date of said summons; of which Presbyters, any three or more attending, shall be the Court for the trial of the party accused, to decide upon his guilt or innocence, and, if found guilty, to recommend a sentence by a majority of voices.

**Sec. 7.** A copy of the presentment, and a notice of the summons of the said Presbyters, shall be served upon the party accused, at least twenty days before the day appointed for trial, by delivering the same to him personally, or by leaving the same at his place of residence, or his last place of residence in this State, if he have left the same, or can not be found.

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**SEC. 8.** The judgment of the Court shall be delivered to the Bishop with the records of the trial, and the sentence recommended ; and the Bishop may pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided such sentence shall not exceed in severity that recommended by the Court of trial ; and his sentence shall be final ; or, if the Bishop deem it necessary to justice, he may order a new trial, to be held as hereinbefore directed.

**SEC. 9.** If there be no Bishop, the sentence of the Court shall be submitted to some neighboring Bishop, who may either order a new trial, or ratify and pronounce the said sentence, which shall then be final.

**SEC. 10.** Witnesses for the prosecution, and for the defence, at the request of the party accused, shall be summoned by the said Court, for a full and impartial hearing of the whole matter.

**SEC. 11.** The party accused shall have a right to be present at the trial, and to be heard in his defence ; and may avail himself of the aid of counsel.

**SEC. 12.** The records of all proceedings on the presentment of a clergyman shall, after the final decision, be delivered to the Secretary of the Standing Committee, to be preserved with their papers.

**SEC. 13.** If the accused be acquitted, the Bishop or President of the Standing Committee, as the case may require, shall give him a certificate of acquittal, embracing a copy of the presentment ; and he shall not be subject to presentment again, upon the same charge.

## **ARTICLE XI.**

### *Of a Clergyman accused by public rumor.*

**SECTION. 1.** Whenever, from public rumor or otherwise, the Bishop shall have reason to believe that a clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offence or misconduct, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an investigation, it shall be his duty to appoint two presbyters, as a committee of inquiry, to examine into the truth of such rumors or allegations, according to the provisions of Sec. 2, of Canon XXXVII, of the General Convention, of 1832.\*

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\***SEC. 2.** If any minister of this church shall be accused by public rumor, of discontinuing all exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship, or of the holy eucharist, according to the offices of this church, or of being guilty of scandalous, disorderly or immoral conduct, or of violating the Canons, or preaching or inculcating hereti-

**Sec. 2.** Should the crime, offence or misdemeanor, of which said clergyman is accused, be found supported, in whole or in part, upon such inquiry, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless upon consultation with the Standing Committee, he shall deem such finding insufficient, to proceed to take measures for trial, as is provided in Article X. of the Constitution.

## ARTICLE XII.

### *Of the admission of new Parishes.*

Any Protestant Episcopal congregation within this State, duly organized, but not in union with the Convention of this Diocese at the time of ordaining this Constitution, shall be entitled to the entire benefit thereof, as soon as they shall signify their ratification of it, either in writing, or by sending lay delegates as members of the Convention; and such congregation shall thereafter be benefitted and bound by every rule or canon which shall be framed by any Convention, acting under the Constitution, for the government of this Church in its ecclesiastical concerns.

## ARTICLE XIII.

### *Of Ministers, members of Vestries.*

When not forbidden by the charter of any congregation, the presbyter, who is settled as the minister of the parish, shall be a member of the vestry thereof, and, when present, shall preside at its meetings.

## ARTICLE XIV.

### *Of the Mode in which the Constitution may be Changed.*

This Constitution shall be unalterable, except in the following manner: A proposition for any change shall be introduced in writing and considered in Convention, and, if approved of, the same shall be published at large in the Journal of the Convention; and, if again approved of in the next ensuing Convention, by a majority of the two orders, voting thereon separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.

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**CANONS**  
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**CANON. I.**

*A List to be made of the Clergy.*

**SEC. 1.** Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures or parishes, or stations as missionaries, or of the colleges, academies, or general seminaries of learning in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in parishes, missions, or institutions of learning as above mentioned, their places of residence only, distinguishing those who are entitled to seats in the Convention.

**SEC. 2.** The right of any clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention, shall, if disputed, be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself; whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

**SEC. 3.** If there be no Bishop, or none having provisional charge of this diocese, the president of the Standing Committee shall prepare the said list, and lay it before the Convention.

**CANON II.**

*Certificates of Lay Delegates.*

The appointment of a lay delegate to the Convention of this diocese shall be certified in writing by the rector of the parish of which he is a representative, or by one of the wardens, or by the clerk or secretary of the vestry of such church; and no other certificate of such appointment shall be allowed or received. And no lay delegate shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention, unless he be eligible to the office of vestryman of the church which he claims to represent.

### CANON III.

#### *Of the Treasurer of the Convention.*

**SEC. 1.** There shall be appointed by the Convention a Treasurer of the Church in this State, who shall be a man of good character and responsibility. He shall be removable at the pleasure of the Convention ; but, unless so removed, he shall continue in office until a successor is appointed. He shall keep a fair and exact account of all moneys received and paid by him ; and shall lay before the Convention, annually, or oftener if required, a full and accurate statement of his accounts. He shall pay no money but by order of the Convention, and shall, in all things relating to his office, conform to their rules and directions.

**SEC. 2.** In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, during the recess of the Convention, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Standing Committee ; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention.

### CANON IV.

#### *Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.*

**SEC. 1.** Whereas by the XXIXth Canon of the General Convention of 1832, it is made the duty of every minister to keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages and funerals, within his cure ; agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the diocese where his cure lies—it is hereby ordered, that the record shall specify the name and time of birth of the child baptized, with the names of the parents and sponsors ; the name of the adult baptized ; the names of the persons confirmed ; the names of all the communicants within his cure as nearly as can be ascertained ; the names of the parties married, and the authority under which the rite was celebrated ; the names of the persons buried ; and also the time when each rite was performed, or each new communicant admitted. These records shall be kept by the minister, in a book to be provided for that purpose by the vestry of each church ; which book shall be the parish register, and shall be preserved by the vestry as a part of the records of the church.

Each minister shall also keep, as far as practicable, a list of all the families and adult persons within his cure, to remain for the use of his successor, and to be continued by him, and by the future ministers of the parish.

**SEC. 2.** And whereas, by the VIII Canon of the General Convention of 1841, it is made the duty of each minister to present or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop, or when there is none to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his cure, and of all other matters that may throw light on its condition : it is hereby further *ordered*, that in reporting the number of communicants, the minister shall state, beside the whole number at the time, the number of additions, removals, and deaths, since the last report.

**SEC. 3.** The above report shall also mention the number of teachers and scholars in Sunday Schools, and other Catechumens connected with the parish—and the amount of Contributions for religious and charitable objects, specifying them.

**SEC. 4.** When a parish is destitute of a minister, the register contemplated by this canon shall be kept by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose. And the annual parochial report shall be presented or forwarded, as ordered in Sec. 2, by the Wardens.

#### **CANON V.**

##### *Of the Report to the General Convention.*

A committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at the stated meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft with the advice and approbation of the Bishop if there be one, a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese, to be presented to the General Convention.

#### **CANON VI.**

##### *Of the Deputies to the General Convention.*

**SEC. 1.** Deputies to the General Convention shall be chosen by the concurrent ballot of the clerical and lay votes, at every stated Convention of this Diocese ; and their appointment shall continue until the next stated Convention, or until others are chosen in their places.

**SEC. 2** Should any deputy elected discover, one month before the meeting of the General Convention, his inability to attend, he shall notify the President of the Standing Committee of such inability, and it shall be the duty of the Committee to supply the vacancy occurring in this or in any other way, before the meeting of the Convention.

**SEC. 3.** Should a vacancy occur, by death or otherwise, in the deputation to the General Convention, it shall be supplied by the

concurrent vote of the remaining clerical and lay deputies, when it shall be practicable.

**Sec. 4.** Clerical deputies to the General Convention may present an account of their expenses, in their travel and attendance, to the Standing Committee, who shall make a reasonable allowance for the same, to be paid by the Treasurer of the Convention out of its funds.

## CANON VII.

### *Of Lay Discipline.*

**Sec. 1.** If a layman, repelled from the Holy Communion according to the rubric, shall complain thereof to the Bishop according to Canon XLII of the General Convention of 1832, the Bishop, (or his assistant Bishop,) whether belonging to the diocese or having provisional charge thereof, shall, unless he restore him to the Communion according to said canon, appoint two disinterested clergymen and two disinterested laymen who are communicants, to enquire into and try the case. If they report to the Bishop that the repelled person should be restored, the Bishop shall so direct; and no minister of this diocese shall deny him the holy Communion. If they report otherwise, or make no report within three months from their appointment, the repulsion shall continue in force.

If this judicatory for the trial of a layman shall be equally divided concerning the guilt of the accused, or the propriety of restoring him to the Communion, they may elect as umpire any other disinterested male communicant in this diocese, whether clerical or lay, and make their report within three months as aforesaid. And, at any time after conviction, if the judicatory do not define the term of the repulsion, the Bishop, (or his assistant Bishop,) or the minister of the parish being a presbyter, may restore the repelled person to the Holy Communion, according to the rubric.

**Sec. 2.** Communicants neglecting the Holy Communion or the public worship of the Church for the space of six months, without a reason satisfactory to their parochial minister, or leading inconsistent and immoral lives, may, after admonition, be suspended by the minister from the Communion; and if, within a reasonable time, there is no satisfactory proof given of reformation, their names shall be removed from the Parochial Register of Communicants; and they shall be considered as repelled, and notified thereof. Notice in all such cases to be given to the Bishop according to the provision of

the rubric concerning repulsion, and the same proceedings may be had as provided in Sec. 1.

**SEC. 3.** A layman under repulsion from the Holy Communion, if visited with extreme or mortal sickness, may be re-admitted to that ordinance without trial, or after conviction, if the Presbyter attending him deem him truly penitent, and in charity with all men.

## CANON VIII.

### *Of Trials and Penalties.*

**SEC. 1.** All trials, whether of clergymen or laymen, shall be in public, if the party accused so require, unless the judicatory are of opinion that such publicity will occasion unholy scoffing, and be contrary to edification. When a public trial is refused, the accused may have present any six male communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and the party presenting or prosecuting may have present the same number of other such communicants.

**SEC. 2.** Witnesses at any trial may, if demanded by either party, be put on oath. Written evidence may be admitted, on either side, the other party having had sufficient notice of the time and place of taking the same, and being allowed to attend when it was taken; and the persons examined for the written evidence may also be put on oath.

**SEC. 3.** Counsel shall be allowed the accused, if he require it; in which case, the party presenting or prosecuting shall be allowed the same privilege. And every judicatory may have counsel, as they shall desire.

## CANON IX.

### *Of the Missionary and Education Committee.*

**SEC. 1.** At each Annual Convention there shall be appointed a Committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and two clergymen and two laymen elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee, to which shall be entrusted the charge of conducting the operations of the Church in behalf of Missions, Education, and benevolent objects connected therewith.— This committee shall elect a Secretary and Treasurer, and report their doings to the next stated Convention, and their appointment shall continue until the next annual Convention, or until others are chosen in their places.

**SEC. 2.** It shall be the duty of every Parish to raise contributions for the purposes designated in the following section, by collection or

otherwise, monthly or oftener, which shall be remitted quarterly to the Treasurer.

**SEC. 3.** The committee shall employ the funds so transmitted to them in support of Missionaries laboring within this Diocese, (such Missionaries being always nominated by the Bishop,) or transmit the same, or a portion thereof, to the Domestic or the Foreign Committee of the General Board of Missions; or employ a portion thereof in assisting deserving and indigent candidates for the sacred ministry in their necessary preparation for the same; or in the erection or repair of churches in feeble Parishes, at their discretion. But any Parish or donor may direct the application, wholly or in part, of their contributions, which directions shall be strictly observed.

## CANON X.

### *Of the Convention Fund.*

Each congregation in the Diocese shall pay annually the sum of five dollars, and in addition to that sum, each congregation having over twenty communicants and not exceeding thirty, shall pay one dollar; and every congregation having over thirty and not exceeding forty communicants, shall pay three dollars; and every congregation having over forty and not exceeding sixty communicants, shall pay five dollars; and every congregation having over sixty and not exceeding one hundred communicants, shall pay seven dollars; and every congregation having over one hundred communicants shall pay ten dollars, for defraying the expenses and charges to which the Convention is liable.

## CANON XI.

### *Of the Vestry of a Church.*

**SEC. 1.** In every church in this Diocese there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, unless some other day be appointed, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, nor more than nine members, which number, unless specified by articles of association or by Charter, shall be designated before the election takes place, who shall continue in office until their successors are appointed; and they shall have power to fill all vacancies which may occur during the year, and be judges of their own election; and in such elections a plurality of votes shall decide the choice. Two of these Vestrymen shall be designated at the election to serve as Wardens,—one of

whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish—who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at the meetings of the Vestry. In the absence of both, the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings—attest the public acts of the Vestry—preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish—perform such other duty as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents of the Parish that may be in his possession.

**SEC. 2.** No person shall be entitled to vote at such election who is not a pew or seat holder, or renter, or an annual subscriber to the support of the minister of the church, or a male communicant of the same.

**SEC. 3.** No person shall be eligible as a Vestryman who is not a qualified voter in the parish, according to the provision of Sec. 2, and an habitual attendant upon the services of the church for which he is elected.

**SEC. 4.** If any Vestryman shall be guilty of scandalous or immoral conduct, or shall be notoriously immoral in his general character, or entirely neglect attendance upon public worship, it shall be the duty of the minister, or in case there shall be no minister, of the Senior Warden, to present him to the Vestry, who shall have power, on being satisfied of his guilt, to expel him, provided always, that at least a majority of the whole number concur in such expulsion, and that the person expelled shall have a right to appeal to the Bishop.

**SEC. 5.** It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a minister, and to provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the church during the celebration of divine worship, and in general, to act as helpers to the minister, in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the Gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper, to collect the alms and offerings at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the church is destitute of a minister, and while the church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship by oc-

asional clerical services, or by lay reading, under the advice of the Bishop.

Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or, in his absence, by the Senior Warden—and meetings shall be called at the request of two Vestrymen. The Vestry may adjourn, from time to time, at their pleasure.

(Parishes now in union with the Convention are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their charters, articles of association, or by-laws.)

## CANON XII.

### *Of Lay Readers.*

No one shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; and lay readers shall, in all cases, conform to the provisions of Canon XI of 1832, of the General Convention.

## CANON XIII.

### *Of Trustees of Bishop's Fund, &c.*

At the present, and at each future annual Convention, five Trustees of the "fund for the support of a Bishop, and to aid missionaries and necessitous ministers, their widows and children," shall be elected by concurrent ballot of both orders: to continue in office until the next annual Convention thereafter, or until their successors are duly appointed. In case of vacancy, by death or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the remaining Trustees to notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese thereof, and it shall be the duty of the said committee to supply such vacancy, as soon as they shall have knowledge of the same, by such notice, or otherwise.

## CANON XIV.

### *Of Elections.*

In all Elections, not otherwise provided for and regulated by the constitution of the P. E. Church in this State, the votes of a majority of all the members present; or, if voting by orders, of a majority of all present of the respective orders, shall be necessary to a choice.

## CANON XV.

### *Of Episcopal Contributions.*

It shall be the duty of the Wardens of every Parish, to collect at the rate of fifty cents annually for each communicant therein, to-

gether with such other voluntary contributions as may be made to them for the same object, either privately or by public collections for that object, in their respective parishes, and pay the same over annually to the Treasurer of the Convention for the time being, subject to the Bishop's order, for his own private use.

#### CANON XVI.

##### *Of Alterations and Additions to the Canons.*

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention except at a stated meeting, nor (unless by unanimous consent) until it shall have been reported on by a committee. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case, the same, (unless negatived by a majority of the votes,) shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

#### CANON XVII.

##### *Repealing former Canons.*

All former Canons of this Diocese, not included in these Canons, are hereby repealed.



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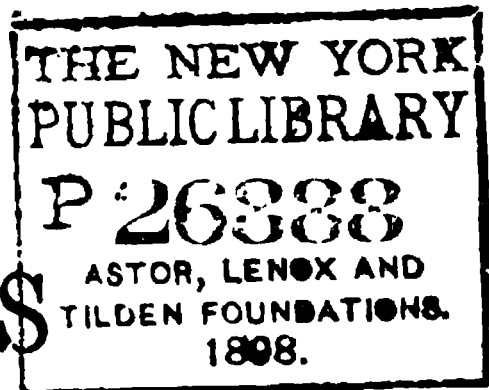
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\*RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

\*REV. THOMAS F. BILLOPP, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.

\*REV. CHARLES BRECK, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington, and St. John's, Brandywine Village.

\*REV. SAMUEL C. BRINCKLE, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

\*REV. RICHARD F. CADLE, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford, St. John's, Little Hill, and Christ Church, Broad Creek.

REV. SAMUEL T. CARPENTER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, and Missionary at Dover.

REV. CORRY CHAMBERS, residing at Wilmington.

REV. JOHN B. CLEMON, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont.

REV. ASA S. COLTON, Missionary at the New Castle County Alms House.

REV. SAMUEL HAZLEHURST, officiating at St. James' Church, Newport, and Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred.

REV. JOHN L. MCKIM, Rector of St. Paul's, Georgetown; St. Peter's, Lewes; and Christ Church, Milford.

REV. GREENBURY W. RIDGELY.

REV. DAVID MCILVAINE, Deacon, residing at Lewes.

REV. GEORGE SHEETS, Rector of St. James Church, Stanton.

REV. SAMUEL R. SLACK, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

REV. WILLIAM WRIGHT, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River; St. Mark's, Millsboro; and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.

[Total 16.]

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.*

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\* Designates those entitled to seats in the Convention.

# LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

*Certificates of whose election by their respective churches were presented and approved.*

<i>Counties,</i>	<i>Churches,</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New Castle,	Grace Ch., Brandywine Hd.,	Not represented.
	Ascension, Brandywine Hd.,	Thomas G. Clemson.
	St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ Samuel Baily,
		{ John B. Lewis,
	Trinity, Wilmington,	{ *Amor H. Harvey,
		{ H. H. J. Naff,
	Calvary, Brandywine Hd.,	{ John F. Francis,
		{ *Gregg Chandler.
	St. John's Brandywine Village,	{ James V. Jefferis,
		{ Isaac S. Elliott, Jr.
	Christ, Christiana Hd.,	{ Capt. S. F. Du Pont,
		{ *Alexis I. Du Pont.
	Immanuel, New Castle,	{ William T. Read,
		{ *James C. Douglass,
Kent,	St. James', Stanton,	{ *John Foot,
		{ *Robert Justis,
	St. Thomas', Newark,	{ Benjamin Caulk.
		{ S. M. Curtis,
	Christ, Delaware City.	Not represented.
Sussex,	St. Ann's, Middletown,	Not represented
	St. Peter's, Smyrna,	Not represented.
	Christ, Milford,	{ Manlove R. Carlisle.
		{ Dr. James R. Mitchell.
	St. John the Baptist, Milton,	Not represented.
	St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ James Stewart,
		{ C. Rodney Layton.
	St. George's, Indian River,	{ James F. Burton,
		{ John B. Burton.
	St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ Henry F. Rodney,
		{ William M. Hickman
	St. Mark's, Millsboro,	{ Benjamin Burton,
		{ *Robert Kollock.
	Grace, Baltimore Mills,	Woolsey Burton.
	St. John's, Little Hill,	Not represented.
	St. Luke's, Seaford,	{ Charles Wright,
		{ Hugh Martin, M. D.
	Christ, Broad Creek,	{ *Robt. Ellegood, M. D.
		{ William T. Ellegood
		* Absent.

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### PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES, MAY 28, 1856.

THIS being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the same, the Bishop of the Diocese, with a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M., in St. Peter's Church, Lewes.

The Convention having been called to order by the Bishop, no Secretary being present, the Rev. A. S. Colton was appointed Secretary pro tem, who called the names of such of the Clergy as are entitled to seats in the Convention, under the Constitution, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, viz :

The Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,  
" Samuel C. Brinckle,  
" Thomas F. Billopp,  
" Charles Breck,  
" Richard F. Cadle,  
" Samuel T. Carpenter,  
" John B. Clemson, D. D.,  
" Asa S. Colton,  
" George Sheets,  
" Samuel R. Slack,  
" William Wright.

The Rev. S. C. Brinckle and William T. Read, Esq., were appointed a committee to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the Committee as duly elected, the following gentlemen answered to their names and took seats in the Convention, viz :

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Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,  
 St. Andrew's, Wilmington,  
 Trinity Church, Wilmington,  
 Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,  
 Immanuel, New Castle,  
 St. Thomas', Newark,  
 St. Paul's, Georgetown,  
 St. Peter's, Lewes,  
 St. Mark's, Millsboro,  
 Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,  
 St. Luke's, Seaford,  
 Christ Church, Broad Creek,  
 St. George's, Indian River,

Thomas G. Clemson.  
 { Samuel Baily,  
 { John B. Lewis.  
 H. H. J. Naff.  
 Capt. S. F. Du Pont.  
 William T. Read.  
 { Benjamin Caulk,  
 { Solomon M. Curtis.  
 { James Stuart,  
 { C. Rodney Layton.  
 { Henry F. Rodney,  
 { Wm. M. Hickman.  
 Benjamin Burton.  
 Woolsey Burton.  
 { Charles Wright,  
 { Hugh Martin, M. D.  
 Wm. Thomas Ellegood.  
 { James F. Burton,  
 { John B. Burton.

A constitutional quorum being present, the Convention pursuant to the sixth Article of the Constitution then proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. Thomas F. Billopp and Henry F. Rodney were appointed tellers, and on the first ballot reported the Rev. Asa S. Colton unanimously elected.

Whereupon, the Chair declared the Rev. Asa S. Colton to be Secretary of the Convention for the ensuing year.

On motion of the Rev. Thomas F. Billopp, it was

*Resolved*, That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to this Diocese, and students of theology, who are candidates for Holy Orders in this Church, who may be present, be and they are hereby invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. S. C. Brinckle, it was

*Resolved*, That the order of the day for the opening of the afternoon session be the election of Delegates for the General Convention.

The Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session.

## RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing nor shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.

3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall with due respect address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

8. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

9. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

10. No motion shall be considered as before the house, unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing, when required.

11. When any question is before the house, it shall be determined on before any new thing is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

12. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other and without debate.

13. When the house is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

14. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

15. The charge or sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each clergyman, and ten copies to each vestry in the Diocese.

The Convention then took a recess for Divine service.

The order for daily morning prayer was read as far as the Creed, by the Rev. J. B. Clemson, D. D., and concluded by the Rev. Charles Breck. The Ante-Communion service was read, and the sermon preached by the Bishop. The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. R. F. Cadle.

The Congregation having been dismissed, the Bishop resumed the Chair, and after calling the house to order, the Convention again proceeded to business.

On motion of the Rev. C. Breck, Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred, and St. John's Church, Brandywine Village, were admitted into Union with the Convention.

Certificates of the election of Lay Delegates by these Parishes were then presented, and the names of the delegates being called by the Secretary, the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats in the Convention.

Calvary Church,

St. John's Church,

John F. Francis,

{ James V. Jefferis,  
Isaac S. Elliott, Jr.

Manlove R. Carlisle, Lay Delegate from Christ Church, Milford, also appeared and took his seat.

The Convention then adjourned till 2½ o'clock, P. M.

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The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Bishop took the Chair and called the house to order.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

On motion, the Convention took up the order of the day, viz: the election of Delegates to the General Convention.

Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., and Rev. William Wright were appointed tellers for the Clergy, and Benjamin Caulk, Esq., and C. Rodney Layton, Esq., on the part of the Laity.

On the first ballot, the Rev. George Sheets, the Rev. S. C. Brinckle and the Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter of the Clergy, and Capt. S. F. Du Pont and Mr. Solomon M. Curtis of the Laity, were declared by the Chair duly elected.

On the second ballot, Mr. A. I. Du Pont was duly elected Lay Delegate; and, on the fifth ballot, the Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., of the Clergy and James F. Burton, Esq., of the Laity were chosen.

On motion of Mr. John B. Lewis,

*Resolved*, That the account of Henry Eckel, \$80, for printing the Journal of 1855 be allowed; as also, the account of the Secretary of the last year, \$10.70.

The President appointed as a committee to audit the Treasurer's Accounts, Mr. Benjamin Burton and Mr. Chas. Wright.

On motion of the Rev. S. T. Carpenter, it was

*Resolved*, That the Convention hear the report of the Missionary Committee.

It was accordingly read by the mover of the resolution.

On motion of the Rev. S. R. Slack,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary append to the report of the Missionary Committee the additional sums contributed by the Parishes to Foreign and Domestic Missions, which are not embraced in the report of the committee.

#### FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Your Committee are encouraged to believe that the interest of our Clergy and Congregations in the great cause of Christian Missions, has been during the last twelve months sustained and increasing. While we have reason to be humbled before God that our charity is not more fervent and our alms more abundant, we are still assured that the Missionary work is dear to the hearts of many of our people, and we are glad to notice some advance in the amount contributed, over several previous years, particularly in the Department of Foreign Missions. This branch of our efforts has been promoted by the zealous and efficient co-operation of the Rev. John B. Clemson, who has been appointed by the Foreign Committee of our Board, their agent in Delaware. As our Missionaries in Sussex held direct appointments from the Domestic Committee, the office of your committee during the last year, as well as several preceding, has been chiefly that of transmitting to the Central Committees, and to other objects, the funds put into their hands, according to the direction of the donors. If all the Missionary collections of the Diocese passed through the Treasurer's hands, there would be the advantage of presenting in their Annual Reports a perfect exhibit of what we are doing for the extension of the Gospel beyond the limit of our respective parishes. There have been directly forwarded to the Central Committees, or for other purposes, considerable amounts in addition to those which we report.

The only direct appointment made by your committee since their last report, has been that of the Rev. A. S. Colton, as Missionary at the New Castle County Alms House. As our Lord has expressly told us, that unto the poor the gospel is preached, and has specially commended them to the benevolence of his more favored disciples, the committee gladly availed themselves of the opportunity of securing, so far as they might, the regular ministrations of the Gospel for the infirm and indigent.

Annexed is a statement of receipts and appropriations since the last Convention.

*Receipts of Treasurer of Missionary and Education Committee.*

Amount collected after sermon at the last Convention

for Diocesan Missions,		15.84
From Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		
Foreign Missions,	\$86,43	
Domestic (General)	33,92	
Diocesan,	34,09	
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Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred, Diocesan,		3,50
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,		
Foreign,	71,00	
Domestic (General)	30,00	
Diocesan,	90,00	
Sunday School of St. Andrew's, Foreign,	54,00	
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Trinity Church, Wilmington,		
Foreign,	42,26	
Diocesan,	25,96	
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Immanuel, New Castle,		
Foreign,	10,00	
Domestic,	30,00	
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St. Thomas', Newark,		
Foreign,	7,00	
Diocesan,	38,78	
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St. Peter's, Smyrna,			
Foreign,		15,00	
Domestic, Western,		5,00	
		<hr/>	20,00
St. John's Little Hill, Diocesan,			3,20
St. Luke's Seaford, Diocesan,			3,00
Christ Church, Broad Creek and } Domestic,	8,00		
St. Phillip's, Laurel, } Diocesan,	1,00		
		<hr/>	4,00
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			\$602,98

These contributions have been appropriated as follows, to

Foreign Missions,	285,69
Domestic Committee,	108,92
In the Diocese, to Rev. A. S. Colton,	50,00
Rev. Wm. Wright,	70,00
New Church at Lewes	50,00—170,00
Balance,	43,37—602,98

ALFRED LEE,  
S. C. BRINCKLE,  
S. T. CARPENTER,  
J. F. WILSON.

In addition to the above mentioned contributions, the following sums, which were sent by other channels, have been given by the different parishes within the year.

	<i>Diocesan.</i>	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Trinity Church, Wilmington,	110,00	142,00	-	252,00
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	160,00	56,97		216,97
Christ Church, Christiana,	33,83			33,33
St. Thomas', Newark.		28,00	37,00	65,00
Immanuel, New Castle,			10,00	10,00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,			26,12	26,12
St. Anne's, Middletown,		4,50	5,50	10,00
St. James', Stanton,				3,43
St. George's, Indian River,			4,58	4,58
St. Mark's, Millsboro',			3,57	3,57
Grace, Baltimore,			1,12	1,12
St. John's, Little Hill,			1,00	1,00
St. Luke's, Seaford,			1,62	1,62
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	303,83	231,47	90,51	628,74
Total contributions,	514,70	333,89	376,20	1228,22

Mr. S. M. Curtis and Mr. James Stuart were appointed a committee to audit the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Fund for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen.

They reported the accounts correct, and the report was accepted.

The Rev. Thomas F. Billopp moved that the IVth Article of the Constitution, entitled, "Of a Quorum," be altered so as to read "six members of the Clerical and twelve of the Lay order shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, &c." This was adopted, and laid over for final action at the next Convention.

The Rev. John L. McKim appeared and took his seat.

Mr. Samuel Baily presented and read the Annual Report of the Standing Committee, as follows :

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware respectfully submit to the Convention an abstract of their proceedings since the last Convention. The committee have had but two sessions the present year.

On the 10th day of April, 1856, the committee signed testimonials recommending Mr. William Allibone Newbold, a candidate for orders.

On the 13th of May, 1856, the committee signed testimonials of Thomas G. Clemson, a candidate for orders, also testimonials were signed on behalf of Messrs. William H. D. Hatton and William Marshall, recommending them for the sacred order of Deacons in the Church of God.

SAMUEL BAILY, *Sec'ry.*

William T. Read, Esq., moved the following resolution, which was adopted, viz :

WHEREAS, The books and papers pertaining to the Diocese of Delaware, have accumulated and are annually increasing in number, by the Journals of Convention of the other Dioceses, forwarded to the Secretary of the Convention of this Diocese: *And whereas*, this accumulation renders the transfer of the said books and papers, by the Secretary of the Diocesan Convention to his successor, cumbersome and attended with risk to their safety, therefore, in order to provide for the more safe preservation of the same; be it

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed to examine, arrange and classify the Journals of the General and Diocesan Conventions now in possession of the Secretary of the Convention, and to procure those that are missing, from the proper persons, and have the same bound in volumes of convenient size.

On this committee, the Chair appointed the Rev. A. S. Colton, A. I. Du Pont and Wm. T. Read, Esqs.

Mr. Samuel Baily read a communication from the Secretary of the General Convention, touching certain amendments of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, proposed at the last General Convention, 1853, adopted by both houses, and sent to the several Diocesan Conventions. They were read to the Convention as follows: (the changes from the present terms of the Constitution being italicised.)

#### PROPOSED ARTICLE II.

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the clergy and the laity. *Such representation shall consist of not more than four clergymen and four laymen,—Communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof;* and in all questions when required by the clerical and lay representation from any Diocese, each order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that order. The concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint clerical deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint lay deputies, or if any of those of either order appointed should neglect to attend or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such deputy or deputies as may attend, whether lay or clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted, or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no deputies, either lay or clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

## PROPOSED ARTICLE V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution: and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions.

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than *fifteen self-supporting parishes, or less than fifteen presbyters* who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a parish or congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than *thirty self-supporting parishes, or less than twenty presbyters* who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned, *provided that no city shall form more than one Diocese.*

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assistant Bishop, if there be one may elect the one, to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of the Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses, to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

## ARTICLE VI.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Con-

vention. The Court appointed for that purpose, shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese *until the General Convention shall provide a uniform mode of trial*. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry, on any clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clemson, the election of the Standing Committee, as also of the Missionary Committee for the ensuing year, was indefinitely postponed.

The Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., read the report of the Committee for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen, which was accepted, and the committee was discharged.

On motion of the Rev. John L. McKim,

*Resolved*, That the Rev Charles Breck, Mr. John B. Lewis and Mr. Samuel Baily, be a committee to receive and disburse such funds as may be obtained by contributions from the Churches of the Diocese and from other sources, for the benefit of disabled Clergymen during the ensuing Conventional year.

Moved by the Rev. Dr. Clemson, that the next Annual Meeting of this Convention be held in Newark, on the 1st Wednesday in June, 1857, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Samuel Baily moved to amend by inserting in the place of Newark, St. Andrew's Church Wilmington, which amendment was adopted, and the resolution, as amended, passed.

The Bishop read his Annual Address.

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## ADDRESS

*To the Clerical and Lay Members of the sixty-sixth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.*

DEAR BRETHREN :

Among the first thoughts that occur to us at our present meeting is the void that hath been made since we last convened, in the little band of our clerical laborers, by the Providence of Almighty God—the first event of the kind for thirteen years. We miss one of our

number who had united in our counsels and shared our toils and cares. The earthly work of the Rev. Hiram R. Harrold was sooner done than any of us had thought of. Having little more than passed the meridian of life, in the full and active discharge of his ministerial duties, he was suddenly prostrated by severe disease, and after a very short illness was released from the sufferings and conflicts of this mortal life. Our departed brother was of blameless life and conversation, and diligent in the performance of the duties of his sacred office. Until the week before his death he continued to labor in the ministry of reconciliation, and to feed the flock of Christ. The unexpected rupture of the bond between himself and his people, has awakened their sincere grief and regret. May this affecting Providence lead us all, pastors and people, to aim more earnestly that our mutual connection be not unblessed, since it may be so speedily dissolved. May we together work while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work. If any of us who labor in the ministry of reconciliation should be summoned, as our deceased brother was, at an unlooked for moment, to give an account of our stewardship, may we be found with our loins girt about and our lamps burning, busy in the Lord's vineyard, preaching not ourselves but Christ crucified, making full proof of our ministry. And may the members of our respective flocks receive with meekness the engrafted word which is able to save their souls, sustain their pastors with their prayers and kind offices, and esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake, so that pastors and people may together meet in the Kingdom of Christ. In addition to this inroad, Death has claimed his usual tribute during the year. St. Ann's Church has not only been bereaved of its Rector, but of highly valued members. One of these, the late Mrs. Gibbs, had been widely known as a Mother in Israel, and full of years and ripened in grace, hath fallen asleep, with the sincere regret and affectionate veneration of all who knew her.

St. Mark's Church, Millsboro', has lost its Warden, Mr. Joshua Wharton, a man whose amiable character, unspotted life and devotion to the interests of the Church for many years, cause him to be sorely missed and deeply regretted.

During the past Winter and Spring I have to some extent assisted the Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter, of Pennsylvania, whose health called for some respite from his abundant and exhausting duties. As the Dio

cese of Delaware was for so many years indebted to the Bishops of Pennsylvania, for freely rendered services, it was gratifying to me, as I doubt not it will be to the Convention, that I was able to make any return for the same.

In October last, I was present at the meeting of the Board of Missions in the city of New York, an occasion to be remembered for the manifestation of brotherly love and fervent zeal for the extension of our Redeemer's Kingdom. If the spirit of that meeting could be diffused throughout our Church, it would be the dawn of a new era in her history.

In our Diocese several new parishes have been organized, which it is hoped will eventually become stable congregations. In the village of Newport, where an Episcopal Church once existed, a convenient and modest edifice has been purchased on very reasonable terms, and the Rev. Mr. Hazlehurst has been officiating regularly for the last six months, with a growing attendance and interest. In Brandywine Village and at the Union Meeting House in the same Hundred, steps have been taken for the organization of parishes.

On Sunday, May 4th, I took part in the first celebration of Divine Service in Christ Church, Christiana Hundred. For beauty of situation, good architecture, chaste and simple elegance and completeness of finish, this building is not surpassed by any in our Diocese. It can accommodate a large congregation, and promises to be filled. Great perseverance and liberality have been displayed in carrying onward the work to its successful completion, and the first opening of the edifice for the worship of God was a day of praise and thanksgiving to many hearts. We look in expecting faith for an abundant blessing on the labors of its experienced and devoted pastor, sustained as they are by an affectionate and zealous people.

The new parish of Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, still continues to promise well, and may eventually become one of the strongest in Sussex County. The extensive district in which the Rev. Mr. Hall had labored, was after a short interval, I am gratified to state, supplied by the acceptable services of the Rev. Mr. Wright.

#### CHURCHES VISITED.

The usual visitations of the Diocese have been made. On these occasions I have officiated by preaching at Ascension Church, Clay-

mont; Trinity Church, Wilmington, twice; Christ Church, Christiansa Hundred, three times; Immanuel Church, New Castle; St. James' Church, Stanton; St. Thomas' Church, Newark, five times; Christ Church, Delaware City, twice; Fort Delaware in the same parish, twice; St. Ann's Church, Middletown, three times; St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, four times; at Dover; Christ Church, Milford, twice; at Milton, twice; St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, twice; St. Peter's Church, Lewes, three times; St. George's, Indian River, twice; Chapel, at Long Neck, twice; St. Mark's, Millsboro, twice; Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, twice; St. John's, Little Hill, twice; St. Luke's Seaford, twice; Christ Church, Broad Creek, twice; St. Phillip's Laurel, twice: in all, exclusive of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, fifty times.

At St. Ann's, Middletown, on the 30th April, I performed the mournful duty of committing to the earth the mortal remains of our deceased brother, the late Rector of that Church. Several of the Clergy of the Diocese were present and took part in the solemn services of the day. On the occasion of my recent visitation of the same parish, I baptized an adult who was also confirmed, and administered the Holy Communion. At Fort Delaware I baptized two infants; at Milton, one.

In the Diocese of Pennsylvania, I ordained one Presbyter and one Deacon, confirmed 268 persons, and delivered thirty-six sermons and addresses. I have also preached three times in New York, four times in Connecticut and twice in Maryland.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

In Trinity Church, Wilmington, on two occasions, and one in private,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Christ Church, Christiansa Hundred,	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
St. Ann's Church, Middletown,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
St. Peter's Church, Lewes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
St. Luke's Church, Seaford,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
St. Philip's Church, Laurel,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
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\*Two of these were confirmed during the sitting of the Convention.

## CLERICAL CHANGES.

There have been received into the Diocese since the last Convention, the Rev. Samuel R. Slack, by letter of dismissal from the Bishop of Virginia, accepted August 29th, 1855; and, the Rev. Wm. Wright, by letter from Bishop Payne, of the African Mission, accepted November 7th, 1855. The Rev. John Atkinson has been transferred to the Diocese of Maryland, letter accepted by Bishop Whittingham, September 18th, 1855. The Rev. George Hall has been transferred to Pennsylvania, letter accepted by Bishop Potter, October 1855.

The Rev Mr. Slack has become the Rector of St Thomas' Church, Newark. The Rev. Mr. Hall has resigned the charge of St. George's, Indian River, St. Mark's, Millsboro', and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, and is succeeded in these parishes by Rev. William Wright. The Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst has resigned the office of assistant to the Rector of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, and is now officiating at Newport and, as mentioned in the last year's address, in Brandywine Hundred.

The only vacant parishes are St. Ann's, Middletown, and Christ Church, Delaware City. Services in the latter Church have only been occasional during the past year, although I have been in correspondence with several gentlemen in relation to taking charge of it, and hope it will not be much longer vacant.

## CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

There have been admitted as candidates for holy orders: Mr. William Allibone Newbold, April 10th, 1856; and Mr. Thomas Green Clemson, May 13th, 1856.

The number at present belonging to the Diocese is five, viz:

William H. D. Hatton, from November 9th, 1853.

Thomas M. Martin, " July 21st, 1854.

William Marshall, " January 5th, 1855.

Wm. Allibone Newbold, " April 10th, 1856.

Thomas G. Clemson, " May 13th, 1856.

On the review of the year we thank God and take courage. It is not for us, in our limited Diocese, and with our previous hindrances and discouragements, to despise the day of small things, or to overlook any indications of the favoring hand of God. Let it be ours, by

faithful labor and earnest prayer, to seek the blessing of our Great Head. We are not straitened in Him. But the reward will be proportioned to the labor, the faith, the devotedness of his people. It is only as the great doctrines of the cross of Christ are zealously and faithfully proclaimed, and the lives of professed disciples glorify the name of the Lord, that we may look for power from on high and the outpouring of the Spirit of grace. May He who has engaged that where two or three are gathered together in His name He will be in the midst, now graciously fulfil his promise. For the work which now calls us together and the guidance of our deliberations, may He grant us "the wisdom from above, which is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy."

ALFRED LEE.

On motion of Rev. Charles Breck,

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to draft resolutions expressing the sense of the Convention touching the death of the Rev. Hiram R. Harrold, late Rector of the parish of St. Ann's, Middletown, in this Diocese.

The President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Carpenter, Clemson and Billopp.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clemson,

*Resolved*. That the Convention nominate two Trustees for the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. S. T. Carpenter and Mr. T. G. Clemson were appointed as tellers, who subsequently reported that the Rev. Thomas F. Billopp and E. G. Bradford, Esq., were duly nominated.

The Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's account, reported it correct.

On motion of Mr. H. H. J. Naff,

*Resolved*, That the usual number of copies of the Journal of the Convention be published and distributed as heretofore.

Convention adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock P. M., for the stated missionary service.

EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

Convention re-assembled. The opening devotional exercise was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Clemson, and the rite of Confirmation administered by the Bishop. Addresses were then made on the subject of Missions by the Rev. Messrs. Clemson, Colton, Slack and Wright. A collection was then made for missionary purposes, and after singing the 107th hymn, the service was closed with a short address and the benediction by the Bishop.

The congregation having been dismissed, the Convention was again called to order by the Bishop. The minutes of the previous sessions were read and approved.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be requested to pay to the sexton of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, \$5 for his services during the Session.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the citizens of this town, and to the wardens of St. Peter's Church, for their kindness and hospitality to the members thereof.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the following gentlemen be elected Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, viz: Hon. Caleb S. Layton, Hon. Edward Wootten, William T. Read, Esq., J. W. Thomson, M. D., and Mr. Alexis I. Du Pont.

The Committee appointed to prepare resolutions touching the death of the Rev. H. R. Harrold, reported as follows:

The Rev. Hiram R. Harrold, since the meeting of the last Convention, having been called by Divine Providence from the scene of his earthly labors, this Convention deems it proper to express its sense of his worth, and of the bereavement of the Church and of his family.

*Resolved*, That we bear our testimony to the faithfulness and devotion with which he consecrated himself and his all to the Church and the Gospel, as the cause of his Lord and Master.

*Resolved*, That we humbly adore the Hand, that doeth all things well, in removing our brother from labor to reward; and humbly do we pray that those whom he has left behind may so follow his good example, that they fail not of the heavenly promises.

**Resolved,** That we express our deep sympathy with the widow of our departed brother, in this sore affliction; and earnestly do we commend her to God, and to the word of His grace, for that consolation which is promised by the widow's God.

**Resolved,** That the Secretary of the Convention be instructed to convey to the widow a copy of these resolutions, together with the action of the Convention.

S. T. CARPENTER,  
THOS. F. BILLOPP, } Committee.  
J. B. CLEMONSON,

These resolutions were unanimously adopted.

The minutes were then read and approved.

On motion, the Convention adjourned sine die.

Attest,

ASA S. COLTON, Secretary.

# APPENDIX.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CLAYMONT, NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

This Parish like many a new enterprise, has had hindrances to its growth and a right prosecution of its interests. The size of its congregations is also variable, being affected by the periodical removal of its summer worshippers.

Families rising,	-	-	-	-	-	-	80
Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
All transferred from the associate Church of Marcus Hook.							
Alms,	-	-	-	-	-	\$21	65
Relief Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	10	00
Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	5	00
Episcopate,	-	-	-	-	-	8	00
Norfolk Sufferers,	-	-	-	-	-	21	00—\$65 65
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	-	50

Service every Sunday afternoon.

JOHN B. CLEMSON, Rector.

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### CALVARY CHURCH, WORSHIPPING AT THE UNION MEETING HOUSE, BRANDYWINE HUNDRED.

Baptisms, one adult.

Burials, two.

Collection for Diocesan Missions, \$3.50.

Sunday School—Teachers, 7; Scholars, 45.

Divine service has been held regularly every other Sunday afternoon during the year, except in very inclement weather, when by request, it is omitted.

With the approval of the Bishop, in November last, Articles of Association were executed, and a parish organized in accordance with

the "Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church." Delegates have been appointed to represent the same in the present Convention.

S. HAZLEHURST, Missionary.

MAY 24TH, 1856.

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REPORT OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRANDYWINE VILLAGE.

On the 7th of August, 1855, a Parish was organized in the above named place, by the election of Wardens and Vestrymen, who afterwards elected the present Rector.

On the 5th of May, 1856, the most eligible site in the village, known as the "Green Tree Tavern," was purchased for two thousand nine hundred and forty-five dollars.

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

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ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Infants 20, Adults 2. Total,	-	22
Confirmed,	-	10
Communicants, number last reported,	-	200
" Transferred to Christ Church, Christiana Hd.,	-	4
" Removed,	-	11
" Deceased,	-	2
" Stricken from the List,	-	3
" Added by removal,	7	22
" New,	15	
" Present number,	-	211
Marriages,	-	9
Funerals,	-	13
Sunday Schools, White.		
Teachers, Male 13, Female 32. Total,		45
Scholars " 130, " 278. " "		408
Robert Smith (Colored) School,		
Teachers, Male 5, Female 20. Total,		25
Scholars, " 80, " 90. " "		170
Schools 2, Teachers 70, Scholars,		678
Female Bible Class,		90
Contributions—Missions,		
Domestic,	30.00	-

Diocesan, Church at Lowes,	-	50	}	250 00
" " " Newport,	-	160		
" General,	-	40		
Foreign, - - - - -	-	-		71 00
Sunday School Offerings,				
Foreign 54, Domestic 56,97,	-			110.97—461 97
Charitable,				
For Orphans at Norfolk and Portsmouth, col-				
lection in Church 54,00, Sunday School, 13.00,				67 00
Collection in Church for Disabled Clergy,				30 00
Communion Alms, - - - - -	-			65 93
Dorcas Societies, - - - - -	-			100 00—262 93
Evangelical Knowledge Society, - - - - -	-			85 77
Parish Prayer Book and Tract Society, - - - - -	-			24 65—110 42
Episcopate 105, Convention 15, - - - - -	-			120 00
Parochial objects and Current Expenses, - - - - -	-			2000 00
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The past year has been one of much harmony and satisfaction, and of quiet, steady growth. The increased accommodations provided for the congregation and Sunday School, have added greatly to our comfort. A neat and substantial iron fence has much improved the appearance and added to the safety of the church edifice. The Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst resigned his office as assistant to the Rector, on the first of January last, much to the regret of the Rector and congregation.

ALFRED LEE.

#### TRINITY CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Adults 8, Infants 28, Total,	-	-	-	86
Confirmed,	-	-	-	85
Communicants—Died,	-	-	-	7
" Removed,	-	-	-	8
" Added,	-	-	-	86
" Present number,	-	-	-	151
Marriages,	-	-	-	17
Burials,	-	-	-	54
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	23
" Scholars,	-	-	-	200
Public services, on Sundays 128, other days 119,	-	-	-	247

The Treasurer's report exhibits the following account :

Domestic Missions—Indian,	-	-	-	-	\$62
“ “ Ontonagon,	-	-	-	-	50
“ “ Portage,	-	-	-	-	20
Diocesan—St. Peter's Church, Lewes,	-	-	-	-	100
“ Missions,	-	-	-	-	25 96
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	42 26
Communion Alms,	-	-	-	-	193 87
Poor of Parish,	-	-	-	-	61 06
Disabled Clergymen	-	-	-	-	17 90
Repairs of Old Church,	-	-	-	-	55 24
Episcopal and Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	98 50
Current expenses at Chapel,	-	-	-	-	1412 73
“ “ Old Church	-	-	-	-	50 00
Repairs at Chapel,	-	-	-	-	517 60
Incidental expenses,	-	-	-	-	172 65
Library Fund,	-	-	-	-	61 61
Debt and Interest,	-	-	-	-	217 19
For purchase of horse for Rector,	-	-	-	-	200 00
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					\$3358 57

A thorough revision of the old list of communicants accounts for the discrepancy in this report, as contrasted with that of last year.—Last summer the Chapel was painted and carpeted, and a new furnace was procured. A Parish Library has been founded this Spring, and a room is about to be made for the same. The children of the Sunday School contributed ten dollars for the completion of the Church at Portage, Wisconsin, and ten for the same purpose at Lewes, Delaware.

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

#### REPORT OF CHRIST CHURCH, CHRISTIANA HUNDRED.

Baptisms—Adults 0, Infants 19,	-	-	-	-	19
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	13
Communicants—Died,	-	-	-	-	3
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	5
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	29
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	101

Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	14
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 3, Female 15.	Total,	18				
“ “ Scholars, Male 74, Female 83.	Total,	157				
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	-	-				\$67 42
“ Domestic,	-	-	-	-		33 92
“ Foreign,	-	-	-	-		86 43
“ Episcopate,	-	-	-	-		40 00
“ Convention Fund,	-	-				12 00
“ Alms for the Poor,	-	-	-	-		21 56
“ Relief Fund,	-	-	-			21 64
“ Furnishing the Church,	-	-				104 97
“ Collected on the day of opening the Church,						237 25
“ Other purposes,	-	-	-			538 00
“ Building new Church,	-	-				8444 47
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	\$9607 66
Public Services—Sundays 56, other days 8.	Total,	62				

REMARKS.—Our new Church, mentioned in the last report as being commenced the August before, is now happily completed, and was opened for worship on the 4th of May—a day long to be remembered as the consummation of so many prayers. Five years ago this Parish was organized, under circumstances not calculated to inspire much hope—except that in very weakness we threw ourselves upon the true Source of strength, a covenant-keeping God. But for this, we had often fainted in our work. May His presence be with us still, and His blessing, without which they labor in vain who build the house.

The Church is a beautiful structure of the hard blue rock of the Brandywine, on the high bank of which, amidst a grove of our native trees it is situated. The plan was kindly furnished by one born among us, though now living in a neighboring State. The extreme length of the church, including the tower and chancel-building, is 120 feet; breadth, 40 feet; tower 25 feet square, run up with stone 70 feet, with a spire of wood, making the whole elevation 140 feet. On one side of the chancel is a neat and commodious vestry-room; and on the other is the choir, with a fine organ, built by Jardine, of New York. The font and chancel furniture are the gifts of several kind friends. The pews will seat 500 persons, making the accommodations larger

than our present wants ; but to these, by the Divine blessing, we hope in time to grow. The whole cost of the Church has been something over \$16,000. S. C. BRINCKLE.

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IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE.

Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	55
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 4, Female 7,						-	11
“ “ Scholars, Male 20, Female 25,						-	45
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-					\$30 00
“ Foreign Missions,	-	-					20 00
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-					29 50
“ Convention Fund,	-	-					10 00
“ Alms to the Poor,	-	-					56 00
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MAY 28TH, 1856:

THOMAS F. BILLOPP, Rector.

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REPORT OF REV. ASA S. COLTON.

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :*

My services during the year may be briefly stated as follows :

At St. Thomas', Newark, and as Missionary at the Alms House, I have conducted service and preached, say about 40 times. On other occasions in the Diocese and in various circumstances about 15 times.

At Newark I performed the marriage ceremony twice.

ASA S. COLTON.

RT. REV. A. LEE, D. D.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEWPORT.

Communicants, - - - - - 5

Sunday School.—Teachers 4, Scholars 30.

This parish has been resuscitated by purchase in November last, of a good substantial stone building with a half acre of ground, occupied formerly by the “ Protestant Methodists.” It is in excellent order, well furnished, and will accommodate about 150 persons, and is entire-

ly free from debt. It is now being enclosed with a good substantial fence. Divine services were commenced here, on the first Sunday in December, and have been continued, with but occasional exceptions, every Sunday morning since. The Rev. Bethel Judd, D. D., has given me much kind assistance in continuing these services.

S. HAZLEHURST, Missionary.

MAY 24, 1856.

**REPORT OF ST. JAMES' CHURCH, STANTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
MAY, 1856.**

Baptisms—Children,	-	-	-	-	-	19
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	3
Communicants: Deceased 1, removed 3, present number,						10
Burials,	-	-	-	-	-	8
Collections—For Foreign and Domestic Missions,					\$3.43	
“ For Infirm Clergy,	-	-	-	-	2.34	
“ Episcopate Fund,	-	-	-	-	6.00	
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	5.00	
Total,	-	-	-	-	\$16.77	

The three denominations, Episcopal, Methodist and Presbyterian, form a Sunday School in Stanton, meeting in the District School room, on the American Sunday School Union principle; of a well organized character, but neither of these denominations are, at the present time, in this place, sufficiently numerous, to organize and operate efficiently, in a separate and independent manner.

Public Services, in the Church on Sunday mornings, and in the District School Room, on the alternate Sunday evenings.

We have just sustained a serious loss, to this feeble parish, in the death of Mrs. Catharine Justis, a pious widow lady, who, for about twenty years past, has had charge of our communion furniture, and made provision for the Lord's table. But she has gone to her everlasting rest, in the sweetest peace.

G. SHEETS, Rector.

**REPORT OF ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEWARK, DEL.**

Families,	-	-	-	-	-	34
Baptisms—Infants 5. Total,	-	-	-	-	-	5
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	-	24
“ Since removed,	-	-	-	-	-	4

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Communicants—Died,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“	Added 9, enrolled 14,	-	-	-	-	23
“	Present number,	-	-	-	-	42
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 2, Female 4.	Total,					6
“	“	Scholars, Male 12, Female 18.	Total,	-		30
Contributions—Foreign Missions,	-	-		\$14	00	
“	Domestic Missions,	-	-	33	00	
“	Diocesan Missions,	-	-	33	78	
“	Communion Alms,	-	-	43	91	
“	Episcopal Fund,	-	-	18	50	
	Convention Fund,	-	-	6	00	
“	Relief of Disabled Clergymen,			8	00	
“	Relief of Orphans at Norfolk, Virginia,			61	36	
“	Relief of Sufferers	“	“	5	00	
“	Gratuitous distribution of books, tracts,					
	and religious publications,	-		24	93	
“	Evangelical Knowledge Society,			15	00	
“	Rectory \$230 93, repairs of Rec-					
	tory, \$16 00,	-	-	246	93	
“	Repairs on Church,	-	-	125	00	
“	Current expenses and other purposes,			543	68	
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					\$1209	09

Public Services—On Sundays 103, other days 24. Total, 127

Fifteen of the above communicants are persons from Ireland, living remote from the parish Church, and who have not hitherto been reported as communicants. The Rector has held a number of services in their vicinity,—at the Union School House, Mill Creek Hundred,—which have been well attended by them and others. He proposes to administer to them, from time to time, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, as he has already that of Baptism: and it has been thought best to enroll and report them as under his pastoral care, and that of the Bishop of the Diocese.

The present incumbent entered upon his duties the first Sunday in October last. In outward things the parish seems to have a blessing

from our God, and inwardly we are at peace. May the still richer blessing of God's spiritual presence be vouchsafed this portion of his Zion.

S. R. SLACK, Rector.

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**ST. ANN'S CHURCH, MIDDLETOWN.**

Baptisms—	Infants 9, Adult 1.	Total,	-	-	-	10
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	8
Communicants—	Number last reported,	-	-	-	-	46
“	Added,	-	-	-	-	8
“	Died,	-	-	-	-	2
“	Present number,	-	-	-	-	47
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	7
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	6
Contributions—	Relief of Disabled Clergy,			\$5	25	
“	Missions, Domestic,	-	-	4	50	
“	“ Foreign,	-	-	5	50	
						—\$15 25

This Parish is vacant by the decease of its late worthy and lamented Pastor, which took place April 28th, 1856. This report is drawn up from information furnished to the Bishop by the Rector's widow.

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**ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA.**

Communicants—	Number last reported,	-	-	-	20
“	Since removed,	-	-	-	3
“	Withdrawn,	-	-	-	2
“	Added,	-	-	-	1
“	Present number,	-	-	-	16
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	2
Sunday School—	Teachers, Male 2, Female 5.	Total,			7
“	“ Scholars, “ 16, “ 17.	“			33
Contributions—	Missions,	-	-	\$45 00	
“	Communion Alms,	-	-	9 12	
“	Relief Fund.	-	-	10 00	
“	Episcopal Fund,	-	-	10 00	
“	Convention,	-	-	5 00	
				—————	\$79 12

Public services, on Sunday mornings.

S. T. CARPENTER, Rector.

## CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER.

The state of this Church continues much as usual.

S. T. Carpenter, Missionary.

## REPORT OF CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD.

Baptisms—Adults 2, Infants 7. Total,	-	-	-	9
Confirmed,	-	-	-	3
Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	3
“ Removed,	-	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	-	12
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	\$5 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	5 50	
			——\$10 50	
Public Services—Sundays,	-	-	-	25

The condition of this Church continues to improve, to the great encouragement of both minister and people. Yet we need much a share of the sympathy and attention of churchmen in other quarters of the Diocese. Will our friends please not forget the little Church at Milford?

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

MAY 22, 1856.

## REPORT OF ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	11
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	3
Communicants—Present number,	-	-	-	-	14
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	12
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	4
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	9
“ “ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	54
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	\$5 00		
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	8 00		
			——\$13 00		
Public services—Sundays,	-	-	-	-	17
“ “ Other days,	-	-	-	-	4
Total,	-	-	-	-	21

The destruction of the roof of this Church by a gale in January last, has imposed upon us the necessity of more extensive and costly repairs than were previously intended. On this account public services

have been discontinued in Georgetown, and my Sunday appointments allotted entirely to Milford and Lewes. In the meantime, we have been carefully collecting the funds for re-building, and have now so far succeeded that the work will be begun in a few days. Divine service will be resumed in Georgetown,—in one of the public buildings—on the first of June. It is hoped the Church will be ready for use again before the return of cold weather.

MAY 28, 1856.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

#### REPORT OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES.

Baptisms—Adults 3, Infants 2. Total,	-	-	-	5
Confirmed,	-	-	-	9
Communicants—Present number,	-	-	-	32
Funerals,	-	-	-	2
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 4, Female 8. Total,	-	-	-	12
“ “ Scholars, “ 20, “ 40. “	-	-	-	60
Contributions—Missions, (not precisely known.)				
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	\$5 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	15 00	
			—————	\$20 00
Public services—Sundays,	-	-	-	21
“ “ Other days,	-	-	-	4
Total,	-	-	-	25

Several contributions have been made by this congregation, and also by the Sunday School, to different missionary objects, but I have not the precise figures. Soon after the date of my last report, the work on the new church building was re-commenced, and in the course of the summer the walls were raised and roofed, and the tower carried up to the base of the uppermost story; at which point the approach of winter and the exhaustion of our funds put a stop to the work for the season. The Committee have recently obtained some fresh supplies, and the building will presently be resumed, and continued as the means can be procured. The structure is a substantial and beautiful one, and has been erected so far without debt. That it may be completed without debt, we appeal to the hearts of all who can appreciate the importance of this work, not only as securing the prosperity of the parish itself, but as establishing a fortress of the Diocese, and an outpost of the Church at large. To as many as “go down to the sea in

ships, and occupy their business" there, as well as to the thousands "who travel by land and by water," a Church at Lewes should have a peculiar interest; which we hope will be felt by them, and acknowledged with christian liberality.

As to the spiritual condition of the parish, it is very gratifying; an unusual number of persons having desired and received confirmation, and an increased interest in divine things having been recently manifested in the congregation. - JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

MAY 28, 1856.

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ST. GEORGE'S, INDIAN RIVER, AND THE CHAPEL OF THE COM-  
FORTER, LONG NECK.

Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
“ Died or removed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sunday Schools,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Teachers—Male 5, Female 5. Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Scholars—Male 35, Female 20. Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	55
Contributions—Partly made on communion occasions.							
“ Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	\$4	58
“ For Sunday School,	-	-	-	-	-	1	61
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	6	00
Total,						\$12	19
Public services—On Sundays,	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
“ “ Other days,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

A Sabbath School was lately organized at St. George's Church. My first service in this parish was held in November last. I am therefore, unable to report for the entire year.

WILLIAM WRIGHT, Rector.

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ST. MARK'S, MILLSBORO'.

Communicants—In last report,	-	-	-	-	-	12
“ Died or removed,	-	-	-	-	-	7
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	6

Funerals,		2
Contributions—Partly raised on communion occasions.		
“ Foreign Missions,		\$3 57
“ Convention Fund,		5 00
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		\$8 57

**Public services on Sundays, . . . . . 12**

**WILLIAM WRIGHT, Rector.**

**GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE MILLS.**

<b>Communicants—Last reported,</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>8</b>
“ <b>Died or removed,</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>2</b>
“ <b>Present number,</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>6</b>

**Contributions—Taken up on the occasion of communion.**

“	Foreign Missions,	-	-	\$1 12
“	Convention Fund,	-	-	5 00
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Public services on Sundays,	-	-	-	-	9
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**WILLIAM WRIGHT, Rector.**

## REPORT OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LITTLE HILL.

<b>Baptisms—Children,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	10
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Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	34
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Removed,	-	-	-	-	1
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“ Name erased, - - - 1

“	Names heretofore omitted,	-	-	2
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“Returned, - - - - - 1

“ Added, - - - - -

“ Present number, - - - 38

<b>Marriages,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
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Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-
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**Sunday School—Teacher 1—(the Missionary.)**

" " Scholars, about 10 or 12.

Contributions—For Diocesan Missions,	-	-	\$1 00
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“	For Domestic Missions,	2 20
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“	For Foreign Missions,	1 00
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These collections were made on occasions of administering the Lord's Supper.

Public services—On Sundays,	-	-	-	-	17
“ “ Other days,	-	-	-	-	11
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R. F. CADLE, Late Rector.

REPORT OF CHRIST CHURCH, BROAD CREEK, AND OF ST. PHILIP'S  
CHAPEL, LAUREL.

Baptisms—Children,	-	-	-	-	-	8
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	-	21
“ Since removed,	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ Died,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Added by removal,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	18
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	3
Contributions—For Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$3 00	
“ For infirm clergymen,	-	-	-	-	1 00	
“ For Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	5 00	
“ For Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	1 00	
“ For Parochial objects,	-	-	-	-	1 70	
Total.	-	-	-	-	-	\$11 70

Public Services on Sundays, in Christ Church, Broad Creek,	5
“ “ “ St. Philip's, Laurel,	21
“ “ “ School House, No. 45,	5
“ “ “ Private houses,	3
	—34

“ “ Other days,	
1 at Broad Creek, and 11 at Laurel,	12

Total,	46
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The Bishop preached in Christ Church, Broad Creek, in the afternoon of Tuesday, November 13th, 1855, and administered the Holy Communion; and also in the afternoon of Sunday, May 25th, 1856. He preached in Laurel, in the evening of Tuesday, November 13th last; and in the evening of Sunday, May 25th, 1856.

RICHARD F. CADLE, Rector.

## REPORT OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD.

Baptisms—Adult 1, Infants 4. Total,	-	-	-	5
Confirmed,	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	15
“ Since removed,	-	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	14
Funerals,	-	-	-	2
Sunday School—Teacher, (the Missionary,)	-	-	-	1
“ “ Scholars,	-	-	-	18
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	\$3 00	
“ Foreign Missions,	-	-	1 62	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	7 00	
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	5 00	
“ Parochial objects,	-	-	17 31	
“ Infirm Clergymen,	-	-	1 00	
Total,	-	-	<u>\$34 93</u>	

Of this sum \$20 25 were collected on occasions of the administration of the Holy Communion.

Public services—On Sundays 36, on other days 8. Total, - 44

The Bishop preached in this Church in the morning of Wednesday, November 14th, 1855, and in the morning of Sunday, May 25th, 1856.

RICHARD F. CADLE, Rector.

The following is the amount of Assessment on each Parish in the Diocese for the support of the Episcopate, which is to be remitted annually to the Treasurer of the Convention, in accordance with Canon XV:

St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	-	\$105 50
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	-	75 50
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	-	-	50 50
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	-	-	-	-	-	27 50
St. James', Stanton,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	-	-	-	21 00
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	-	-	-	23 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	-	2 50
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	-	-	8 00
Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	-	-	-	-	16 00
St. George's, Indian River,	-	-	-	-	-	9 50
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	-	-	-	-	-	3 50
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
St. John's Church, Little Hill,	-	-	-	-	-	19 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	-	-	-	9 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
Ascension, Claymont,	-	-	-	-	-	8 00
St. James', Newport,	-	-	-	-	-	2 50

The following table exhibits the sum which each Parish is required to contribute to the Convention Fund in accordance with Canon X:

St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	-	\$15 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	-	15 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	-	-	15 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. James', Stanton,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	-	-	-	-	8 00
St. George's, Indian River,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. John's Church, Little Hill,	-	-	-	-	-	8 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Ascension, Claymont,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
Calvary, Brandywine,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. John's, Brandywine,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00



*DR.**John B. Lewis, Treasurer.*

1855.			
May 30,	To balance in Treasury,		\$101 21
" "	To cash from Immanuel Church, New Castle,		10 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,		5 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,		6 00
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		5 00
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1856.			
May 15,	" " St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington,		15 00
" 22,	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington,		15 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		12 00
			—
			214 21
			—
	To balance in Treasury,		83 26

*DR.**John B. Lewis, Treasurer.*

1856.			
May 8,	To cash from St. James' Church, Stanton,		6 00
" 9,	" " St. Andrew's, Wilmington,		105 00
" 22,	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington,		88 50
" "	" " Christ Church Christiana Hundred,		40 00
			—
			234 50
			—
	To balance in Treasury,		129 50

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1856.			
May 10,	By cash paid Rt. Rev. A. Lee,	105	00
“ 27,	Amount in the Treasury,	129	50
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		284	50



# STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

*From the Episcopal Address, the Parochial Reports, &c.*

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese,	-	-	16
Number of Parishes in union with the Convention,	-		25
Number of Parishes without a Clergyman,	-	-	4
Number of Clergymen having more than one parochial charge,			6
Clergymen received with letters dimissory,	-	-	2
Clergymen to whom letters dimissory have been given,	-		2
Candidates for Holy orders, present number,	-	-	5

The following statistics are derived from Reports :

Baptisms—Adults 18, Infants 154, total,	-	-	-	172
Confirmed,	-	-	-	88
Communicants—Added 146, lost by removal 19, lost by death 18, present number,	-	-	-	812
Marriages,	-	-	-	66
Funerals,	-	-	-	127
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	-	189
“ “ Scholars,	-	-	-	1379

## *Collections.*

To the Episcopal Fund, from 12 Churches,	-	-	\$336 00
To the Convention Fund, from 16 Churches,	-		114 00
To Missions—Domestic 343.59, Diocesan 492.66, Foreign 376.27, Total,	-	-	1215 88
Charitable Objects,	-	-	976 45
Parochial purposes,	-	-	14946 33
Total amount of contributions from 19 Reports,	-		17588 76

### Abstract of Parochial Reports—1856.

NAME OF PARISH.	BAPTISM.			CONFIRMANTS.			SUNDAY SCHOOL.					CONTRIBUTIONS.							RECTOR.				
	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Added.	Present Number.	Marriages.	Funerals.	Teachers.		Scholars.		Domestic.	National.		Charitable objects.		Episcopate.	Convention.	Parochial purposes.	Total.
											Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.		Diocesan.	Foreign.						
Boston, Clarendon, Leary, Brandywine Hundred, Johns, Brandywine Village, Andrew's, Wilmington, City, Wm. Egan, Manuel, Christiana Hundred, James, New Castle, Thomas, Newark, John, Delaware City, Ann's, Middle town, Peter's, Smyrna, Paula, Georgetown, George's, Indian River and Char- rel of the Comforter, Long Neck, Mark's, Millsboro, John A. Little Hill, St. Broad Creek and St. Phil- ip's, Laurel, Luke's, Seaford, Phil. Deyer, Geo. Brandywine Hundred, John Baptist Milton, James, Newport,	4 1 6 1 																						

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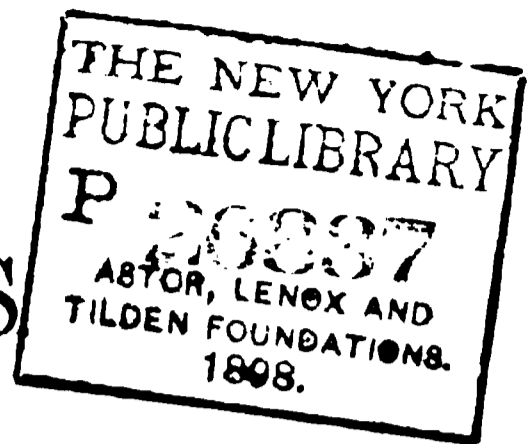
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“	<b>Removed,</b>	-	-	-	59
“	<b>Added,</b>	-	-	-	146
“	<b>Present number,</b>	-	-	-	813
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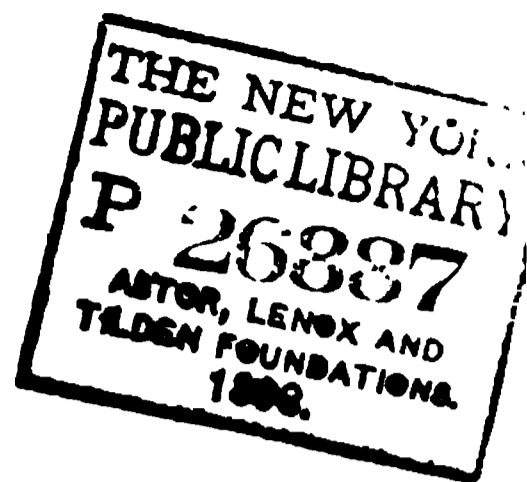
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# LIST

*Of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church Canonically  
Resident in the Diocese of Delaware, June 3d, 1857.*

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- \*RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector  
of St Andrew's Church. Wilmington.
- \*REV. THOMAS F. BILLOPP, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Middle-  
town.
- \*REV. CHARLES BRECK, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington; and  
St. John's, Brandywine Village.
- \*REV. SAMUEL C. BRINCKLE, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana  
Hundred.
- \*REV. RICHARD F. CADLE, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford;  
Christ Church, Broad Creek; and St. Mark's, Little  
Creek Hundred.
- REV. CORRY CHAMBERS, residing at Wilmington.
- \*REV. JOHN B. CLEMON, D. D., Rector of the Church of the As-  
cension, Brandywine Hundred.
- \*REV. ASA S. COLTON, Missionary at the New Castle County Alms  
House,
- \*REV. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Rector of Immanuel Church, New  
Castle.
- \*REV. W. H. D. HATTON, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Dela-  
ware City.
- REV. WILLIAM MARSHALL, Deacon, Missionary at Newport.
- \*REV. JOHN L. MCKIM, Rector of St. Paul's, Georgetown; and  
Christ Church, Milford.
- REV. WM. ALLIBONE NEWBOLD, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St.  
Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
- REV. DAVID MCILVAINE, Deacon, residing at Lewes,
- \*REV. STEVENS PARKER, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Wil-  
mington, and St. John's, Brandywine Village.
- \*REV. GEORGE SHEETS, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton.
- \*REV. SAMUEL R. SLACK, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.
- \*REV. WILLIAM WRIGHT, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian  
River; St. Mark's, Millsboro; Grace Church, Baltimore  
Mills, and St. John's Little Hill.

[Total 18.]

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.*

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\*Represents those entitled to seats in the Convention.

## LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

*Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.*

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New Castle,	Grace Ch., Brandywine Hd.,	Not represented.
	Ascension, Brandywine Hd.,	{ John Lodge.
	Calvary, Brandywine Hd.,	{ George Williamson.
	St. John's, B'dywine Village,	{ Not represented.
	St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ James Jefferis.
	Trinity, Wilmington,	{ John Cloud Elliott.
	Christ Ch., Christiana Hd.,	{ Samuel Baily.
	Immanuel, New Castle,	{ James F. Wilson, M. D.
	St. James', Stanton,	{ H. H. J. Naff.
	St. Thomas', Newark,	{ George D. Armstrong.
	St. Ann's, Middletown,	{ Alexis I. du Pont.
	Christ Ch., Delaware City,	{ Thomas R. McAllister.
		{ William T. Read.
		{ Alfred C. Nowland.
Kent,	St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ John Foot.
	Christ Ch., Milford,	{ T. J. Mendenhall.
		{ Benjamin Caulk.
Sussex,	St. John the Baptist, Milton,	{ Solomon M. Curtis.
	St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ Benjamin Gibbs.
	St. George's, Indian River,	{ *Joseph Hanson.
	St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ Clement Reeves.
	St. Mark's, Millsboro,	{ F. D. Dunlap.
	Grace, Baltimore Mills,	{ William Cummins, M. D.
	St. John's, Little Hill,	{ David J. Cummins.
	St. Luke's, Seaford,	{ *George R. Fisher.
	Christ Ch., Broad Creek,	{ James R. Lofland.
	St. Mark's, Little Creek Hd.,	{ Not represented.
		{ James Stuart.
		{ John L. McKim, Jr.
		{ John B. Burton.
		{ James F. Burton.
		{ Not represented.
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		{ Charles Wright.
		{ William W. Dulany.
		{ Not represented.
		{ Jonathan Bailey.
		{ Samuel Kinney.

\* Absent.

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OF THE

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

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ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON, JUNE 3d, 1857.

This being the day appointed by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware at its last Session, for the Annual Meeting of the same, the Bishop of the Diocese, and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M., in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington. The Convention having been called to order by the Bishop, the Rev. Asa S. Colton, Secretary, called the names of such of the Clergy as are entitled to seats in the Convention, under the Constitution, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, viz :

The Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,  
“ Charles Breck,  
“ Samuel C. Brinckle,  
“ Richard F. Cadle,  
“ John B. Clemson, D. D.,  
“ Asa S. Colton,  
“ Benjamin Franklin,  
“ Stevens Parker,  
“ George Sheets,  
“ Samuel R. Slack,  
“ William Wright.

The Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., and Mr. H. H. J. Naff were appointed to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the Committee as duly elected, the following gentlemen answered to their names and took seats in the Convention :

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	{ John Lodge, George Williamson.
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ Samuel Baily, James F. Wilson, M. D.
Trinity Church, Wilmington,	{ H. H. J. Naff, George D. Armstrong,
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	{ Alexis I. du Pont, Thomas R. McAllister.
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	{ James Jefferis, John Cloud Elliott.
Immanuel, New Castle,	{ William T. Read, Alfred C. Nowland.
St. James', Stanton,	{ John Foot, T. J. Mendenhall, M. D.
St. Thomas', Newark,	{ Benjamin Caulk, Solomon M. Curtis,
St. Peter's, Smyrna.	William Cummins, M. D.
St. Luke's, Seaford,	{ Charles Wright, William W. Dulany,
St. George's, Indian River,	{ John B. Burton, James F. Burton.

A constitutional quorum being present, the Convention pursuant to the sixth article of the Constitution then proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. Samuel R. Slack and James F. Wilson, M. D., were appointed tellers, and on the first ballot reported that Mr. Alexis I. du Pont had been elected.

Whereupon the chair declared Mr. Alexis I. du Pont to be Secretary of the Convention for the ensuing year.

On motion of the Rev. Charles Breck, it was

*Resolved*, That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to this Diocese, and Students of Theology, who are candidates for Holy Orders in this church, who may be present, be and they are hereby invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

The Rev. William Marshall and the Rev. William Allibone Newbold, of the Diocese of Delaware, the Rev. John Owen and the Rev. Greenbury W. Ridgely, of the Diocese of Maryland were present.

The Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session, and on request were read by the Secretary.

## RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the president takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.
6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.
7. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.
8. While the President is putting any question no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.
9. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.
10. No motion shall be considered as before the house unless it be seconded and reduced to writing when required.
11. When any question is before the house it shall be determined on before any new thing is introduced, except the question for adjournment.
12. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.
13. When the house is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.
14. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.
15. The charge or sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each clergyman, and ten copies to each vestry in the Diocese.

The Rev. Richard F. Cadle presented an application from St. Mark's Church, Little Creek Hundred, for admission into union with the Convention, which on motion was referred to the following Committee: Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Mr. William T. Read and Mr. Charles Wright.

The Convention then took a recess for divine service.

The order for Daily Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Benjamin Franklin, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle, as far as the Litany, and concluded by the Rev. George Sheets, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton.

The 106th Psalm was then sung.

The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Bishop, the Rev. George Sheets assisting in the Epistle and Gospel.

The congregation united in singing the 100th Hymn. The Bishop then delivered his Fourth Triennial charge to the clergy of the Diocese.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Benjamin Franklin, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.

The congregation having been dismissed, the Bishop resumed the chair, and after calling the house to order, the Convention again proceeded to business.

The following Clergymen appeared and took their seats:

Rev. Thomas F. Billopp,

Rev. W. H. D. Hatton.

The committee to whom the application of St. Mark's Church, Little Creek Hundred, Sussex, was referred, reported favorably thereon.

On motion of the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, it was

*Resolved*, That St. Mark's Church, Little Creek Hundred, Sussex, be admitted into union with the Convention.

The report of the Standing Committee was presented by Mr. Samuel Baily, and read by the Secretary, as follows:

#### THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The standing Committee respectfully report to the Convention an abstract of their proceedings during the past year.

They concurred in the statistical report for the past three years, and directed a copy to be forwarded to the general Convention.

On the 4th of April, 1857, they concurred in the election of the Rt. Rev. William Ingraham Kip, D. D., Missionary Bishop of California, to be Diocesan Bishop thereof.

Also the Committee signed testimonials in behalf of Messrs. Wil-

liam Allibone Newbold and Thomas Mills Martin, recommending each for the Holy Order of Deacons.

SAMUEL BAILY, *Secretary*.

Certificates of the election of Lay Delegates from the following Parishes were presented, and the names of the delegates being called by the Secretary, these gentlemen answered and took their seats in the Convention :

Christ Church, Delaware City,	{ Clement Reeves, F. D. Dunlap.
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ James Stuart, John L. McKim, Jr.
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	{ Jonathan Bailey, Samuel Kinney.

Mr. David J. Cummins, a lay delegate from St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, appeared and took his seat.

The Convention then adjourned, to meet again at 3 o'clock, P. M.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON, June 3, 1857, }  
3 o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The Bishop took the chair and called the house to order.

The minutes of the morning session were read by the Secretary and approved.

The Rev. George Hall, a Clergyman of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Thomas Mills Martin, a candidate for Holy Orders in the Diocese of Delaware, were present.

Certificates of the election of Lay Delegates from the Parish of St. Ann's, Middletown, were presented, viz :

St. Ann's, Middletown,	{ Benjamin Gibbs, Joseph Hanson.
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The Secretary having called their names, Mr. Benjamin Gibbs answered and took his seat.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

## ADDRESS

*To the Clerical and Lay Members of the Sixty-seventh Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware..*

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DEAR BRETHREN :

I now ask your brief attention to the statement of my official acts, and of the condition of the Diocese, which it is my duty to lay before you. I have much reason gratefully to acknowledge the kind, sustaining hand of God, enabling me to perform the duties of the past year without interruption, and to meet all the calls of the Diocese, as well as of my own Parish, with undiminished health and strength.

There have been no very marked occurrences during the period which I now review. We have pursued the even tenor of our way without let or hindrance, and the year has been one, I am encouraged to believe, of quiet, steady growth. A rapid expansion we can scarcely look for in a State so limited as our own in extent and population, and where so much of the ground is already occupied by other bodies of Christians; our progress must be step by step, rather than by bounds and leaps. Yet it is my impression that the number of souls brought within our influence is yearly increasing, and that we are laying a foundation on which the Church of our affections shall hereafter rise in fair proportions, and be a joy and praise. Our ministers are laboring earnestly in their different spheres of duty, and if we are faithful to our adorable Lord, and determine to know nothing among men, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified, we cannot doubt that our labors will be crowned with his abundant blessing.

On the 28th June, 1856, in the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, I admitted to the order of Deacons, two or the candidates for orders reported in my last address, viz: William H. D. Hatton and William Marshall. The Rev. Mr. Hatton was shortly after appointed missionary at Christ Church, Delaware City, and vicinity, and has accepted a call from that church. The great want of this parish, a resident pastor, is now therefore, supplied, and through his earnest labors, I hope the congregation will increase, and souls be gathered into the kingdom of Christ. The attendance has been, I learn, increasing, and eight persons during the year have received the rite of Confirmation. I have visited the church three times, on one of which occasions services were continued for two days, with the assistance of several of the clergy of the County.

On the 27th December, I delivered an address at the opening of the School House, connected with St. John's Church, Brandywine Village. This is a neat and convenient building, intended both for Parochial and Sunday Schools, and has been since used on the Lord's day for divine service. The Rector, Rev. C. Breck, has the assistance of the Rev. Stevens Parker in his parochial cares, by whose aid he is enabled to open old Trinity Church every Sunday, as well as sustain services at Brandywine Village. Preparation has been made for the erection of a large, beautiful and substantial stone Church for St. John's Parish.

The Missionary Station, at the Union Meeting House in Brandywine Hundred, and at Newport, occupied by the Rev. S. Hazlehurst, have become vacant by his removal from the Diocese. I officiated for some months at the latter, once in two weeks. We can scarcely yet judge what might be effected by persevering efforts at these points.

St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, was resigned by its late Rector, the Rev. S. T. Carpenter, in November last, and no successor has yet been chosen. The pulpit has been supplied, during the greater part of the time since Mr. Carpenter's resignation, by Rev. A. S. Colton.

On my visit to Dover in November last, two applicants for the rite of confirmation knelt at the long deserted chancel. They were the first upon whom my hands have been laid in that venerable edifice. May the event be the dawn of a better and brighter day. I am exceedingly desirous to see some well qualified and earnest laborer at work there, and am not without hope of witnessing it.

In Sussex County, the Rev. W. Wright is now minister of St. John's Church, Little Hill, resigned by the Rev. Mr. Cadle. The latter gentleman has organized a new parish in Little Creek Hundred, about six miles South of Laurel. On the 22nd May, I preached in a private house in the neighborhood of the site of the proposed church to a numerous congregation.

The church at Georgetown, injured by a gale, and for a year not occupied, has been handsomely repaired, and considerable progress has been made in the new church at Lewes. The congregations in Sussex county seem on the whole to be increasing, but the accessions to the church during the past year have been few.

How do we need the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, to accompany the message of God that the word preached may profit those who hear it, being mixed with faith!

The usual Spring and Autumnal visitations of Kent and Sussex counties have been made, and with little exception all the churches and stations have been visited twice and some oftener.

On these occasions I have preached fifty-three times, exclusive of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, and also delivered addresses; have administered the Holy Communion four times; baptized two infants; officiated at one marriage, and two funerals.

On Easter Sunday, April 12, 1857, I admitted to the order of Deacons in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, William Allibone Newbold. The candidate was presented and the sermon preached by the kinsman of Mr. Newbold, the Rev. J. Howard Smith, of the city of New York. Mr. Newbold has received and accepted a call from the vestry of St. Andrew's, to be my assistant in that parish.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

In St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	30
" Trinity,	"	-	-	-	10
" Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	-	14
" Immanuel Church, New Castle,	-	-	-	-	6
" St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	-	-	4
" Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	8
" St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	-	5
" Christ Church, Dover,	-	-	-	-	2
" St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	-	-	2
" Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	-	-	1
Total on 14 occasions,					82

#### CLERICAL CHANGES.

##### ADDED.

The Rev. Stevens Parker, from the Diocese of New York, letter accepted August 4th, 1856.

The Rev. Benjamin Franklin, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, letter accepted October 10th, 1856.

The Rev. Messrs. Hatton, Marshall and Newbold by Ordination.

##### DISMISSED.

The Rev. Greenbury W. Ridgely to the Diocese of Maryland, letter accepted by Bishop Whittingham, September 23, 1856.

The Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter to the Diocese of Michigan, by letter dated December 15th, 1856. Notice of acceptance has not reached me.

The Rev. Samuel Hazlehurst to the Diocese of Pennsylvania, letter accepted by Bishop Potter, March 21, 1857.

The Rev. Thomas F. Billopp has resigned the rectorship of Immanuel Church, New Castle, and has accepted a call to St. Ann's Church, Middletown.

The Rev. Benjamin Franklin has become the Rector of Immanuel Church, and entered upon his duties in October last.

The Rev. Stevens Parker became assistant minister of Trinity Church in August, 1856, and the Rev. William A. Newbold of St. Andrew's, immediately after Easter.

The Rev. W. H. D. Hatton entered upon his duties as minister of Christ Church, Delaware City, about August 1st, 1856, and the Rev. W. Wright took charge of St. John's, Little Hill, in December last.

The other pastoral relations remain as last reported.

#### CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

No new Candidates have been received since the last Convention, and three having been ordained, there now remain but two on our list, viz :

Thomas M. Martin, from July 21st, 1854.

Thomas G. Clemson " May 13, 1856.

From October 1st to 22nd, I was in attendance upon the General Convention in the city of Philadelphia.

On the 12th of January, 1857, I attended in the city of New York the organizing of the Board of Trustees of a fund for the relief of the widows and orphans of deceased clergymen, and of aged, infirm and disabled clergymen. This Board was constituted by the General Convention, and it is hoped may be enabled to effect somewhat for the truly benevolent and desirable object of its creation. There can be no doubt of the want of a general provision of this kind. Some of the larger Dioceses have considerable endowments and contributions for this purpose, but the great body of our clergy are cut off from aid at the time when their strength faileth.

On the 18th April, 1857, I gave my concurrence in the election of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Kip, as Diocesan Bishop of California.

With this abstract of my official acts, I commend your deliberations to the guidance of the Spirit of wisdom and grace. May our past experience of the divine goodness animate us to more entire devotedness

to the cause of Christ, and to more vigorous exertion. Much do we need the quickening influences of the Holy Ghost, to fan the flame of true religion, and crown the labors of our ministers with abundant success. The Lord grant it of his mercy unspeakable, through Jesus Christ.

ALFRED LEE.

On motion of the Rev. Charles Breck, the Convention went into an election for members of the Standing Committee. The President appointed as tellers, the Rev. Thomas F. Billopp and the Rev. Willam Wright on the part of the clergy, and Mr. Benjamin Caulk and Mr. George D. Armstrong on the part of the laity.

Mr. John B. Lewis, Treasurer of the fund for the relief of disabled clergymen, presented his report.

On motion of Mr. Alexis I. du Pont, the report was referred to a committee of three for examination.

The President appointed the Rev. Benjamin Franklin, Mr. Solomon M. Curtis and William Cummins, M. D.

The committee reported the account to be correct.

On motion of the Rev. Thomas F. Billopp, the account of the Rev. Asa S. Colton, late Secretary, amounting to \$15.06 was allowed and ordered to be paid.

On motion of Mr. Alexis I. du Pont, the bill of Mr. Henry Eckel, amounting to \$68 for printing the Journal of 1856, was allowed and ordered to be paid.

On the first ballot for members of the Standing Committee there was no choice in consequence of the informality of part of the tickets.

Mr. Alexis I. du Pont presented the report of the committee, appointed at the last Convention, relative to binding the Journals of the several Diocesan Conventions in possession of the Secretary.

The committee respectfully report that they have examined the Journals of the different Dioceses, and find that there are many wanting; as they deem it desirable, if possible, to have a full series, from

the commencement of the Episcopate in this Diocese, they herewith submit a list of those required to complete the same.

ASA S. COLTON,  
ALEXIS I. DU PONT,  
WILLIAM T. READ.

### LIST OF MISSING JOURNALS.

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Wisconsin, 1847, 48, 50.  
Oregon & Washington Territory, report of first Convention.

On motion of Mr. Alexis I. du Pont, it was

*Resolved*, That this report be published in the Journal, and that the Secretary of the Convention of each Diocese, be respectfully requested to forward the required numbers on receipt of the Journal.

On motion of Mr. Alexis I. du Pont, it was,

*Resolved*, That when bound, the Journals be deposited in the Parish Library of Trinity Church, for safe keeping, subject to the order of this Convention, provided that Church pay for binding the back numbers up to 1857, the Diocese being chargeable with binding those annually received from this time.

Mr. John B. Lewis, Treasurer, submitted his accounts.

On motion of Mr. Samuel Baily the President appointed Mr. James Stuart and Mr. William W. Dulany, to audit the same.

On motion of the Rev. Samuel R. Slack, it was

*Resolved*, That the Convention hear the report of the Missionary Committee.

The Bishop then read the said report.

#### FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Your Committee present the report of the past year with an humble acknowledgment of the favoring hand of God. They are encouraged to believe that interest in the work of Christian Missions is advancing within our borders, that their claims are better understood and appreciated, and that the good results of our former efforts, confessedly inadequate as they have been, are becoming more manifest. The sketch which is embraced in your Committee's report of the field to which their attention has been directed, with the comparison of its condition at the time when our first systematic efforts were put forth, will, they think, bring the minds of the members of this Convention to the same conclusion.

Before presenting their customary statement of receipts and appropriations they recognize with pleasure the continued assistance of the Domestic Committee of our General Board of Missions, which we have been enjoying for the last fifteen years, and which has been to us of almost indispensable importance and necessity.

Their Treasurer reports the following contributions from the Churches, viz : from

#### *St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.*

For the Diocese of Delaware,	-	-	-	-	77.10
For Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	50.00
For Foreign	"	-	-	-	114.25

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*Sunday School of St. Andrews,*

For Diocese, - - - - -	20 00
For Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum, - - -	75 00
<b>Total,</b>	<hr/> 95 00 <hr/>
	336 35

*Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,*

For Diocese, - - - - -	94 48
For Domestic Missions, general, - - -	30 62
For Oregon, - - - - -	40 00
For Foreign, general, - - - - -	71 96
For Mr. Syle's School, Shanghai, - - -	48 05

**Total,** 285 11

*Trinity Church, Wilmington,*

For Foreign Missions, - - - - -	45 78
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*Immanuel Church, New Castle.*

For Foreign, - - - - -	11 00
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*St. Thomas' Church, Newark,*

For Diocesan, - - - - -	45 53
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*St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,*

For Domestic, - - - - -	12 00
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*St. Peter's Church, Lewes, Sunday School,*

For Foreign, - - - - -	10 00
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*St. Georges' Church, Indian River,*

For Foreign, - - - - -	7 00
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*Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck,*

For Foreign, - - - - -	2 95
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*St. Mark's Church, Millsboro.*

For Foreign, - - - - -	4 93
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*Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,*

For Foreign, - - - - -	2 38
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*St. John's Church, Little Hill,*

For Foreign, - - - - -	5 06
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*St. Luke's Church, Seaford,*

For Domestic, - - - - -	2 00
<i>Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel,</i>	
For Domestic, - - - - -	5 03
For Foreign, - - - - -	1 00
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Collection at last Convention, - - - - -	23 34
Balance of last year's account, - - - - -	39 17
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	<hr/> 838 63

## SUMMARY.

Diocesan, - - - - -	260 45
Domestic, - - - - -	185 43
Foreign, - - - - -	353 58
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	\$799 46

In their disbursement, the direction of the donors, when indicated, has been always adhered to.

There have been appropriated, within the Diocese, to

Rev. A. S. Colton, - - - - -	100 00
Rev. W. Wright, - - - - -	50 00
Rev. R. F. Cadle, - - - - -	50 00
Rev. W. H. D. Hatton, - - - - -	50 00
Christ Church, Delaware City, - - - - -	45 00
	<hr/> 295 00
To Foreign Missions, general, - - - - -	199 53
“ Mr. Syle's School, Shanghai, - - - - -	48 05
“ Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum, - - - - -	75 00
“ Missionaries in Africa, who suffered by the fire, - - - - -	31 00
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To the Domestic Committee, New York, - - - - -	160 43
“ “ Missionary Association for the West, - - - - -	25 00
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Balance, - - - - -	4 62
	<hr/> 838 63

In our previous Annual Reports, we have alluded, from time to time, to the different Missionary Stations, to which our efforts have been mainly directed. For the information of many who are unacquainted with these periodical statements, it may be well to present, at a single view, a succinct account of our Diocesan Missionary field.

In New Castle County, we may include therein a part of Brandywine Hundred, Newport, the young parish at Delaware City, and its vicinity, and the County Alms House. Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred, is sustained independently of our assistance, by its union with the church at Marcus Hook, Pa., under the care of the same Rector, the Rev. Dr. Clemson. Grace Church has but a nominal existence, but it is our rule never to relinquish hope. The services at the Union Meeting House, where a Parish was organised by the Rev. S. Hazlehurst, under the name of Calvary Church, have been interrupted by that gentleman's removal from the Diocese. The unfavorable weather and bad roads have been adverse, through the Winter and Spring, to the obtaining of services there from settled clergymen. Newport was supplied during the last Summer and Fall, by the Bishop or some one deputed by him, with Divine service on the alternate Sundays. There is some prospect of the station being shortly occupied. A fair trial has not yet been made at this point, but a neat stone building, commodious and pleasant, has been secured. Christ Church, Delaware City, has now, for the first time in its history, a resident Pastor. From the zealous labors of the Rev. Mr. Hatton we confidently look for its growth and firmer establishment. At Port Penn, and elsewhere in the vicinity, are families attached to our Church, to whom the Minister of this Parish may have access.— This rich and beautiful region of our State has not been heretofore a very encouraging field to our own Communion, but we hope that in due season we shall reap there, if we faint not.

Of the three Churches in Kent county two are not applicants for our aid. Dover still remains unoccupied. But the Bishop has been encouraged by liberal members of our Church to renew his efforts to secure stated ministerial services in that ancient Parish. The forlorn and uncomfortable condition of the time-worn church, and neglected state of the burial yard, are no small discouragement and hindrance to our success. Could they be put in decent repair, and the aspect of dilapidation and neglect be removed, it would be more cheering to the heart of the laborer.

Nearly the whole of Sussex County has been embraced within our field, and from its peculiar condition is likely to continue so. The number of Churches is nearly as great as in New Castle County, but the congregations are smaller and more scattered. Had it not been for the aid extended by your committee, since it was organised in 1842, and the Domestic Committee of the General Board, the Church in this part of the State would in human probability have all but come to an end. As it is, a brief survey of what has been accomplished may reasonably inspire gratitude and hope.

Of the Churches in this County, all but Georgetown and Lewes have been assisted during the year past. Of our Missionaries there, the Rev. W. Wright has charge of what may be called the Eastern, and the Rev. R. F. Cadle of the Western district. To the fidelity, diligence and indefatigable energy of these gentlemen your committee feel it a duty to bear their testimony. The wide districts committed to their care have been traversed and explored through summer's suns and winter's snows, and their appointments observed with the most scrupulous and self-denying regularity.

Mr. Wright's charge, too extensive for a single laborer, comprises St. George's Parish, Indian River; Grace Church, Baltimore Mills; St. Mark's, Millsboro, and St. John's Little Hill.

St. George's is one of the oldest Parishes in the County. The present Church building was erected about sixty years since, and is a large, substantial structure of brick, and has been within a few years refitted, and put in good repair. Most of the congregation live at a considerable distance from the Church, which renders it difficult to sustain a Sunday School. It was originally a Chapel to the Church at Lewes, and is still, in the neighborhood, commonly known by that name, although it has been for many years a distinct Parish. It reports this year 21 communicants.

Connected with St. Georges is the Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck. This is a more convenient place of worship to a large part of the congregation than the Parish Church, and has fully as good an attendance. It is an unpretending little edifice, of 30 by 20 feet, surrounded by trees, is usually filled on occasions of Divine Service, and has a flourishing Sunday School. It is indeed the only place of worship on "the Neck," and brings the means of grace and the privi-

leges of the Sanctuary within the reach of many who would be otherwise nearly cut off from them. This Chapel was erected under the ministry of the Rev. John A. Childs, and consecrated in 1847.

St. Mark's Church, Millsboro, is eight miles West from St. George's. This Church was also erected during the ministry of Mr. Childs, and was opened for service in 1848. Together with Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, eight miles south, it has taken the place of the old frame Church, at Dagsboro, which is now falling into rapid decay.—The Church at Millsboro is a comfortable edifice, and has been generally well attended, but it has lost a very unusual proportion of its members by death and removal. May the blessing of the Lord upon the labors of his servant there repair these discouraging breaches.

Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, is situated about three miles south of the old Dagsboro Church. It was erected under the ministry of the Rev. George Hall, and consecrated in 1853. It is a plain frame building, can conveniently accommodate about two hundred and fifty persons, and has been usually well attended. It is upon comparatively new ground, the present generation having been unaccustomed to the services of our Church, and the accessions to the communion have hitherto been few, but it presents an interesting and inviting field of labor.

St. John's, Little Hill, is situated eleven miles south-west of Millsboro. This Church was originally erected as an off-shoot from Christ Church, Broad Creek, about the year 1808, under the ministry of a devoted and faithful servant of Christ, whose memory is still precious in that region, the Rev. Hamilton Bell. Mr. Bell's labors were cut short by his death, at the early age of twenty-nine years, in 1811, and his removal was a sad blow to these Churches. After Mr. Bell's death, Little Hill and Broad Creek were occasionally visited by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Stone, afterwards Bishop of Maryland, who resided not very far from the boundary line between the two States. The good Bishop made his journeys on horseback through all weathers, and is still affectionately remembered.

The Church at Little Hill had so greatly declined that in the Diocesan Convention of 1841 it was pronounced defunct. No service had been held for years, the building was without doors or windows, and left open to the intrusion of Cattle or Swine. There were hearts

In addition to the above mentioned contributions, the following sums, which were sent by other channels, have been given by the different Parishes within the year.

	<i>Diocesan.</i>	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Ascension Ch., Brandywine Hd.,		30,03	19,00	49,03
St. Andrew's Ch., Wilmington,	73,00	51,42		124,42
Trinity, Wilmington,	100,00	180,00		280,00
Christ Ch., Christiana Hd.,	50,00			50,00
Immanuel, New Castle,		145,46	49,76	195,22
St. James', Stanton,		5,00	7,72	12,72
St. Thomas', Newark,		72,84	94,22	167,06
St. Ann's, Middletown,		15,00	15,00	30,00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,		3,00	9,00	12,00
St. Mark's, Millsboro,		1,37		1,37
Grace, Baltimore Mills,		78		78
Christ Ch., Broad Creek,		3,17	2,94	6,11
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	223,00	508,07	197,64	928,71
Summary of Report,	260,45	185,43	353,58	799,46
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Total, Contributions,	483,45	693,50	551,22	1728,17

On the second ballot for members of the Standing Committee, the two Orders concurred in electing the Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., the Rev. Charles Breck, the Rev. Samuel R. Slack and Mr. Solomon M. Curtis.

On the third ballot for one Lay member of the Standing Committee, the two orders concurred in electing Mr. William T. Read; whereupon, the Chair declared the following gentlemen duly elected members of the Standing Committee, for the ensuing year.

Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D.,  
 Rev. Charles Breck,  
 Rev. Samuel R. Slack,  
 Mr. Solomon M. Curtis,  
 Mr. William T. Read.

Mr. Samuel Baily, moved the election of members of the Missionary Committee be indefinitely postponed, which was lost.

On motion of Rev. Charles Breck, the house went into an election for members of the Missionary Committee.

The President appointed the Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D., and Mr. Solomon M. Curtis, as tellers.

On the first ballot for members of the Missionary Committee, the following named gentlemen received a majority of votes, and were declared by the Chair duly elected members of the Missionary Committee for the ensuing year :

Rev. Benjamin Franklin,  
 " Samuel C. Brinckle,  
 James F. Wilson, M. D.,  
 George D. Armstrong.

The Rev. Thomas F. Billopp brought up the proposed alteration of the IVth Article of the Constitution, which occurs on page 12 of the last Journal, that the Article shall read, "six members of the Clerical, and twelve of the Lay order shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business," &c., which was confirmed by the unanimous vote of both orders of the Convention.

The Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D., moved that the house go into an election for Trustees of the Bishop's Fund. Mr. Alexis I. du Pont moved that that election be made the order of the day, at 3 o'clock to-morrow, which was decided in the negative. The resolution having prevailed, the house went into an election for Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

Mr. James Stuart and Mr. William W. Dulany, the Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's accounts, reported that they had performed that duty, and that they were correct.

On motion of the Rev. Stevens Parker, it was

*Resolved*, That pending the election for Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, the house adjourn, to attend the Missionary Meeting to be held at 8 o'clock this evening, and re-assemble for business session, at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Convention then adjourned.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, Wilmington, }  
June 3d, 1857, 8 o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention assembled this evening to attend the Missionary meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Bishop.

The choir sang the 103d Psalm.

The Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D., then delivered an address, after which the 106th hymn was sung.

The Rev. Benjamin Franklin, then delivered an address, and was followed by the Rev. Wm. Wright.

The Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, next addressed the meeting, after which was sung the 107th hymn.

The congregation was then dismissed by the Bishop, with the benediction.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, Thursday, June 4, 1857. }  
9 o'clock, A. M. }

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The President called the house to order.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read by the Secretary, and approved.

The tellers in the election for Trustees of the Bishop's Fund presented their return, whereupon the Chair declared that the following gentlemen were duly elected Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, to serve for the ensuing year :

Hon. Caleb S. Layton,  
Hon. Edward Wootten,  
Mr. William T. Read,  
Mr. Clement Reeves,  
Mr. Alexis I. du Pont.

The Rev. Asa S. Colton presented the following preamble and resolution :

*Whereas*, The object of our Diocesan Convention is the promotion of the Kingdom of Christ, in the performance of our duties in His Church, whether

Clerical or Lay: *And whereas*, questions will arise, from time to time, as to the best method of doing our work, and the just application of the principles of the Gospel to the performance of our duties: *And whereas*, such questions often require very careful and patient deliberation, with intervals for prayerful thought; therefore

*Resolved*, That the Second Article of the Constitution be amended by substituting Tuesday for Wednesday, as the day of our Annual Meeting.

On motion of the Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D., the resolution was laid on the table, subject to the call of the mover.

On motion of the Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D., the house went into an election for Deputies to the General Convention.

The President appointed as tellers, the Rev. Thomas F. Billopp, and the Rev. Wm. Wright, of the Clergy, and Mr. Benjamin Caulk, and Mr. George D. Armstrong, of the Laity.

The President read a letter from the Rev. M. A. D. W. Howe, Secretary of the General Convention, requesting an additional assessment of 50 cents on each clergyman in the Diocese of Delaware, to aid in extinguishing the debt incurred by the Sessions of 1853 and 1856.

On motion of Rev. Charles Breck, the Treasurer was authorized to pay the additional quota, amounting to \$9, and forward the same to the Secretary of the General Convention.

The tellers in the election of Deputies to the General Convention presented the return.

On the first ballot the two orders concurred in electing the Rev. George Sheets, the Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D., and the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, of the Clergy, and Mr. Alexis I. du Pont, Mr. James F. Barton, and Mr. Solomon M. Curtis, of the Laity.

The Convention proceeded to a second ballot in the

election of Deputies to the General Convention, for one Clerical and one Lay Deputy.

On motion of William Cummins, M. D., it was resolved, that the next Annual Meeting of this Convention assemble in St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, on the first Wednesday in June, 1858, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

On motion of Mr. William T. Read, the committee for the relief of disabled clergymen was continued.

On motion of the Rev. Charles Breck, pending the return of the second ballot in the election for Deputies to the General Convention, it was resolved, that the Convention proceed to meet at St. John's Sunday School, Brandywine Village, to attend the laying of the corner stone of St. John's Church, and re-assemble for business at 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention then adjourned.

The Convention met at St. John's Sunday School, Brandywine Village, at 11 o'clock, A. M., and formed in procession in the following order:

The Vestry of St. John's Church, the Lay Delegates to the Convention, the Clergy and Bishop of the Diocese, proceeded to the site of the church, repeating the 122nd Psalm, responsively; on reaching which, the Laity opened their line, and allowed the Bishop and the Clergy to pass through, when the Bishop commenced the "office set forth and allowed to be used for laying the corner stone of a church or chapel."

The Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D., read the appointed lesson from Ezra, III. 8-11. Then was sung the 102nd Psalm.

Mr. Alexis I. du Pont read a list of the articles placed in the box, and deposited in the corner stone.

The Bishop then concluded the "office set forth for laying the corner stone."

The Rev. Benjamin Franklin delivered an address, which

was followed by another from the Bishop ; after which, part of the 25th hymn was sung, and the Bishop pronounced the benediction.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, Thursday, June 4, 1857, }  
3 o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The President called the house to order.

The minutes of the Missionary meeting held last evening, and of the morning session, with the proceedings in laying the corner stone of St. John's Church, Brandywine Village, were read by the Secretary and approved.

The tellers presented the returns of the second ballot in the election for Deputies to the General Convention, and there was no choice.

The Rev. Asa S. Colton moved that further balloting in the election for Deputies to the General Convention be dispensed with; which was decided in the negative.

The house proceeded to a third ballot. Certificates of the election of Lay Delegates from the parish of Christ Church, Milford, were presented.

Christ Church, Milford, } George R. Fisher,  
James R. Lofland.

The Secretary then called the names. Mr. James R. Lofland answered, and took his seat.

On motion of the Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D., the resolution of the Rev. Asa F. Colton, relative to changing the day of holding the meetings of the Annual Convention, which was laid on the table at the morning session, was taken up.

The tellers presented the return of the third ballot in the election for Deputies to the General Convention, and it was found that the two orders had concurred in the election of Capt. S. F. du Pont, of the Laity, there still remaining one vacancy in the Clerical Delegates.

The house proceeded to a fourth ballot.

Mr. Alexis I. du Pont proposed as an amendment to the alteration of Article II. of the Constitution, proposed by the Rev. Asa S. Colton, that the words "from time to time," in the 12th and 13th lines of said article, be stricken out.

On motion of the Rev. John B. Clemson, D.D., the whole subject of the amendment of Article II. was indefinitely postponed.

The tellers reported on the fourth ballot in the election for Deputies to the General Convention, and it was found there was no choice.

The house proceeded to a fifth ballot.

The Rev. Richardson Graham, a clergyman of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, took his seat as a visitor.

On motion of the Rev. Stevens Parker. the committee on the Glebe of Christ Church, Dover, was continued.

Mr. Alexis I. du Pont moved that the vote continuing the committee for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen be reconsidered.

Which was decided in the negative.

The tellers reported on the fifth ballot in the election for Deputies to the General Convention, and it was found there was no choice.

Mr. Samuel Baily moved that further balloting in the election for Deputies to the General Convention be dispensed with, which was decided in the negative.

The house proceeded to a sixth ballot, in which there was no choice.

On the seventh ballot the two orders concurred in electing the Rev. Benjamin Franklin.

The President then declared that the following gentlemen had received the concurrent vote of both orders, as Deputies to the General Convention.

Rev. George Sheets,	}	Of the Clergy.
“ John B. Clemson, D.D.,		
“ Samuel C. Brinckle,		
“ Benjamin Franklin,	}	Of the Laity.
Mr. Alexis I. du Pont,		
“ James F. Burton,		
“ Solomon M. Curtis,		
Capt. S. F. du Pont,		

The Delegates from St. George's, Indian River, asked leave of absence, and were excused from further attendance on the house.

Mr. Alexis I. du Pont moved that the Treasurer assess the sum of \$250 annually, on the several Parishes in union with the Convention, in the ratio of the amounts paid the Rectors thereof, said sum to be paid to the committee for the relief of disabled clergymen; and when not required by them, to the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

Which was decided in the negative.

On motion of the Rev. Charles Breck, it was resolved, that the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund consider the expediency of revising the XVth Canon, and report thereon at the next Annual Convention.

On motion of James F. Wilson, M. D., it was

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer pay to the Sexton of St. Andrew's Church the usual compensation allowed for his attendance during the session of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Alexis I. du Pont, it was

*Resolved*, That the Constitution and Canons be appended to the Journal, and the usual number of copies printed and distributed as heretofore.

On motion of Mr. James Stuart, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Wardens and Vestry of St. Andrew's Church, for the use of their Church, and to the citizens of Wilmington and its vicinity, for their kindness and hospitality to the members thereof.

On motion, it was resolved, that after reading the minutes of the present session, and the usual religious exercises, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Secretary then read the minutes, which were amended and approved.

Prayer was offered, and the benediction pronounced by the Bishop, after which the Convention adjourned.

Attest,

ALEXIS I. DU PONT, SECRETARY.

## DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

The Right Rev. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Bishop, and President of  
Convention. Residence, Wilmington.

### Standing Committee.

Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., *Chairman.*

“ Charles Breck,

“ Samuel R. Slack,

Solomon M. Curtis, Esq.,

William T. Read, Esq., *Secretary.*

### Deputies to the General Convention.

Rev. George Sheets,

“ John B. Clemson, D. D.,

“ Samuel C. Brinckle,

“ Benjamin Franklin,

Alexis I. du Pont, Esq.,

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# APPENDIX.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CLAYMONT, BRANDYWINE HUNDRED, NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

This Parish may be regarded as flourishing. The attendance on public services, except in the winter, is large and encouraging. The Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, Burials and number of Communicants, are considerably affected by the contiguity of the church at Marcus Hook, of which until recently, this was a part. This influence will gradually decline and ere long the Parish be strong and independent. The Sunday School is well managed and sustained, and is very promising for the welfare of the Church and neighborhood. Recently the church has received the addition of an Organ, an instrument well adapted in size and quality to its position. The church has also received the valuable present of a large stone Font, of sufficient size for the immersion of an infant. Altogether there is much ground for hope and encouragement.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	3
Burial,	-	-	-	-	1
Marriage, -	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants added,	-	-	-	-	3
“        Removed,	-	-	-	-	1
“        Whole number,	-	-	-	-	18
Sunday School Teachers, -	-	-	-	-	8
“        Children,	-	-	-	-	60
Contributions to General Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$22 32
“        Foreign        “	-	-	-	-	5 00
“        For Missions in Tennessee,	-	-	-	-	7 71
“        From Sunday School for China,	-	-	-	-	14 00
“        For Sunday School,	-	-	-	-	13 40
“        For Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	5 00
“        For Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	9 00

Contributions, Alms,	-	-	-	-	-	22	58
“ Organ,	-	-	-	-	-	300	00
“ Other purposes,	-	-	-	-	-	180	00
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JOHN B. CLEMSON, Rector.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRANDYWINE VILLAGE.

Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	13
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	106
Public Services on Sundays,	-	-	-	-	-	22

The Treasurer's report exhibits the following account:

Real Estate,	-	-	-	-	\$2172 17
Sunday School Library,	-	-	-	-	59 00
Erection of Sunday School Room,	-	-	-	-	1373 24
Parish School,	-	-	-	-	64 19
Current Expenses,	-	-	-	-	41 62
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					\$3710 22

A commodious Sunday School Room was erected during the last autumn, and opened by the Bishop for Divine service on the festival of St. John. Since the first of the year the Rev. Stevens Parker has attended with me in holding Divine service, on the afternoon of each Lord's Day and catechising the children of the Sunday School.

February 10th, the above named Presbyter was duly elected assistant minister by the Vestry. A Parish School has been opened.

On the 25th of March full possession of the lot was obtained, when immediate steps were taken for tearing down the "Green Tree Tavern," that the Church might take its place. Contracts have been made for the building of a large and beautiful gothic Church designed by "Notman" of Philadelphia. The Communicants residing in this Parish are still connected with Trinity, Wilmington.

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Infants 24, Adults 6. Total,	-	-	-	-	30
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	30
Communicants, number last reported,	-	-	-	-	211
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	15

Communicants Transferred to other Churches in the Diocese,	2
“ Ordained, - - - - -	1
“ Deceased, - - - - -	7
“ Withdrawn, - - - - -	2
“ Added from abroad 12, new 25, - - -	37
“ Present number, - - - - -	221
Marriages, - - - - -	7
Funerals, - - - - -	19
Sunday Schools, White, Teachers, Male 14, Female 31, Total,	45
Scholars, “ 137, “ 250, “	387
Robert Smith (colored) School,	
Teachers, - - - - -	28
Scholars—Male 122, Female 132, -	254
Schools 2, Teachers 73, Scholars, -	641
Female Bible Bible Class, - -	40
Contributions—Missions, Foreign, General,	83 25
Missionaries in Africa, who had suffered by fire,	31 00
	<hr/> 114 25
Sunday School for Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum,	75 00—189 25
Domestic, General Board, - -	25 00
Episcopal Association for West, -	25 00
Sunday School for Messrs. Sellwood, -	33 30
For the West, - - - -	18 12—101 42
Diocese of Delaware, - - - -	77 10
Sewing Society for do., - - -	73 00
S. School, for Rev. W. Wright, - -	20 00—170 10
	<hr/> \$460 77.
Relief Fund for Disabled Clergymen, -	30 00
Communion Alms, - - - -	92 67
Dorcas Society, - - - -	62 75—185 42
Evangelical Knowledge Society, -	44 00
Prayer Books and Tracts, - - -	20 00— 64 00
Episcopate \$106, Convention \$15, -	121 00
New Organ, - - - -	1000 00
Current Expenses and Parochial objects,	1900 00
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This Church has lost an unusual number of communicants during the year past by death ; some of whom were far advanced in years, and others yet in the fresh, bright morn of life ; but we can say of them, old and young, with encouraging trust—

“ These all died in faith.”

Mr. Henry Rice, who was spared to enter upon his ninetieth year, had been interested in the affairs of our church in Wilmington for half a century, and was a member of the first elected Vestry of St. Andrew's Parish.

Dr. Benjamin Johnson had been warmly attached to this church from its foundation, and was greatly endeared to his friends and fellow worshippers, by his unobtrusive excellence, and amiable, generous spirit.

Mr. John B. Newman had exceeded the limit of four score years, of which the greater part had been spent in the city of Philadelphia, but his residence here had secured the respect and affection of those to whom he had been known ; and in whatever pertained to the welfare of the church he took a lively interest.

The Rev. William Allibone Newbold has received and accepted an invitation from the Vestry to become assistant Minister, and entered upon his duties immediately after Easter. From this arrangement the Rector anticipates great benefit to the Parish as well as much personal relief.

A new and superior organ has just been placed in the church.

The general condition of the Parish is encouraging.

ALFRED LEE, Rector.

#### TRINITY CHURCH AND CHAPEL, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Adults, 5 ; Infants, 67.	Total,	-	-	-	72
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	10
Communicants—Died,	-	-	-	-	5
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	11
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	30
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	165
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	14
Burials,	-	-	-	-	41
Sunday Schools,	-	-	-	-	2

Old Swedes or Trinity Church,—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	8
				Scholars,	76
Trinity Chapel,	-	-	-	Teachers,	17
				Scholars,	220
Teachers, total,	-	-	-	-	25
Scholars, “	-	-	-	-	296
Children catechised in the Schools, by the Minister, times,	-				142
Bible class instructed, times,	-	-	-	-	38
Public services on Sundays and other days—					
Old Swedes,	-	-	-	On Sundays,	83
				“ other days,	86
Trinity Chapel,	-	-	-	“ Sundays,	104
“ “				“ other days,	116
Total services,	-	-	-	-	389

The Treasurer's Report exhibits the following account :

**Domestic Missions,**

Indian Mission of Rev. T. Lloyd Breck,	-	100	00
Portage, Wisconsin,	-	10	00
Superior,	-	25	00
St. Paul's Ch., Lee Center, Illinois,	-	25	00
Swedish Mission, Rev. Gustaf Unonius,	-	20	00
Diocesan, Church repairs, Georgetown, Del.,	-	100	00
Foreign Missions,	-	45	78
Prot. Epis. S. S. Union and Church Book Society,	-	50	00
Prayer books and S. S. books,	-	46	94
Disabled Clergymen,	-	28	34
Episcopate, \$75.50, Convention, \$15,	-	90	50
Communion alms, and alms for poor,	-	253	30
Repairs at Chapel,	-	787	99
New Furnace,	-	252	28
Repairs at Old Church,	-	270	58
Incidental expenses,	-	370	25
New Organ,	-	1123	66
Current expenses at Chapel,	-	1790	42
“ “ Old Church,	-	635	00
Library Fund,	-	261	55

Real estate, - - - - -	2625 00
Old debt and interest, - - - - -	204 20
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Total amount, - - - - -	\$9105 79

The Rev. Stevens Parker entered upon his duties as Assistant, on the first of August last, and has since that time rendered most efficient aid in the Parish.

The "Old Church," during the months of July and August, was thoroughly painted, the walls and ceilings whitened, and otherwise repaired, since which time Divine service has been held in it regularly, and the Lord's Supper been administered once a month, and on the chief festivals.

A triangular piece of ground, adjoining the church wall, and bounded by Sixth and Church Streets, on which there is a good dwelling-house, has been purchased for the sum of \$2,400; the half of this sum has been paid, and the remainder is on mortgage.

This was a most important purchase, preserving the church from a great variety of annoyances, and rendering the grave yard far more private.

The exterior of Trinity Chapel and Parsonage has been painted.

In the Sunday School room a floor has been laid, a new stove procured, a book-case and library purchased, and a valuable map hung upon the wall.

The Vestry room has been re-furnished with a carpet, and an appropriate table, and an engraving of the Bishop of the Diocese.

A room has been made for the Parish Library, and furnished with book-cases capable of holding six or seven hundred volumes. The library now contains 290 volumes of choice moral and religious works, selected with the greatest care.

A new organ has been erected in the Chapel, and for the price of fifteen hundred dollars, is a very sweet and powerful instrument.

Mr. John Gustave Lindgren, a native Swede, has been engaged for some months in translating the old Parish Record, beginning with the year of our Lord, 1713.

On Easter Sunday, an offering was made to the church of two handsome chairs for the chancel.

Why are not more hearts moved to honor the Lord with their sub-

stance, by appropriate gifts to the house which is called by His name?

Within the last month, a lot worth thirteen hundred dollars was presented to Trinity Corporation by a member of the church, on which, at some future day, we hope to erect a school house, and a home for the aged and infirm poor of the Parish.

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

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CHRIST CHURCH, CHRISTIANA HUNDRED.

Baptisms—Infants, 38 ; adults, 6. Total,	-	-	-	44
Confirmed,	-	-	-	14
Communicants—Transferred to Trinity Church,	-	-	-	1
Deceased,	-	-	-	2
Removed,	-	-	-	12
Added,	-	-	-	27
Present number,	-	-	-	113
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 3 ; Female, 16. Total,				19
“ “ Scholars, “ 75 ; “ 104. “	-	-	-	179
Young Men’s Bible Class—Teacher, 1 ; Pupils,	-	-	-	18
Contributions—Missions,	-	-	-	
Domestic, General,	-	-	-	\$30.62
Bishop Scott,	-	-	-	40.00
				———— \$70 62
Diocesan, General,	-	-	-	94.48
St. Peter’s, Lewes,	-	-	-	50.00
				———— \$144 48
Foreign, General,	-	-	-	71.96
From Sunday School, for Mrs. Syle’s School, China,				48.05
				———— 120 01
				————
				. 335 11
Communion alms,	-	-	-	27.60
Collection for Disabled Clergymen,	-	-	-	22.40
				———— 50 00
Episcopate,	-	-	-	50 50
Convention Fund,	-	-	-	15 00

Sheds for horses,	-	-	-	-	-	214	26
Other purposes, including current expenses,	-	-	-	-	-	1814	13
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Total,	-	-	-	-	-	\$2479	00

The "Brotherhood of the Church," has, from its organization, Nov. 1st, 1854, distributed as follows :

Incidental expenses,	-	-	-	-	-	41	49
Relief of sick members,	-	-	-	-	-	36	00
Aid to the indigent,	-	-	-	-	-	104	52
Funeral expenses of a communicant,	-	-	-	-	-	15	00
Disabled Clergymen,	-	-	-	-	-	5	00
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Total,	-	-	-	-	-	\$202	01

Has at interest in the Relief Fund, \$300.

SAMUEL C BRINCKLE, Rector.

#### IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE.

Baptisms—Infants 20, Adults 1,	-	-	-	-	-	21
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	6
Communicants added,	-	-	-	-	-	9
" Deceased,	-	-	-	-	-	3
" Removed,	-	-	-	-	-	3
" Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	67
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Burials,	-	-	-	-	-	4
Sunday School, Teachers—Male 3, Female 12, Total,	-	-	-	-	-	15
Scholars—Male 33, Female 50,	-	-	-	-	-	83

Public services and sermons twice every Sunday, once with lecture on every Saint's day and festival; prayers, daily evening, through Lent, with Litany Wednesday and Friday mornings; evening service and lecture every Friday, from November 1st to June 1st. Holy Communion administered on the first Sunday of every month, and on the high festivals.

Contributions, besides salaries, Sunday School, parish and Convention expenses, and improvements on the Glebe.

Alms,	-	-	-	-	\$89	93
Nashotah Mission,	-	-	-	-	56	81

Disabled Clergy, - - -	31 09
Parish Library, - - -	35 29
Domestic Missions, - - -	88 65
Foreign Missions, - - -	60 76
Bibles, Prayer Books and Tracts, -	12 17
Episcopal Fund, - - -	27 50
Repairs of Parsonage, - - -	388 30
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Total, - - -	\$790 50

In addition to the above, very considerable subscriptions have been made for the purchase of a new organ; and for a nice new carriage and fine horse, with appurtenances, presented to the Rector at Easter.

The present Rector entered upon his duties on the first of October last.

#### BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Rector.

##### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, STANTON.

Public services on Sunday mornings regularly.

Present number of Communicants, - - -	10
Burials, - - -	5
Marriages, - - -	2
Collections for Domestic Missions, - - -	5 00
For Foreign Missions (Africa) - - -	7 72—12 72

#### GEORGE SHEETS, Rector.

##### ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEWARK.

Families, - - -	87
Baptisms—Adult 1, Infants 14, - - -	15
Confirmed, - - -	4
Communicants—Number in last report, - - -	42
“ Since removed, - - -	3
“ Died, - - -	2
“ Added 5, and from other parishes 9, Total, -	14
“ Present number, - - -	51
Candidates for Holy Orders, - - -	1
Marriages, - - -	3
Funerals, - - -	8
Sunday School, Teachers—Male 1, Female 1, Total, -	2
Scholars “ 9, “ 8, “ -	17

Public Services on Sundays 105, other days 12, Total, -	117
Contributions—Foreign Missions, - -	91 72
“ “ by Sunday School, - -	2 50
“ Domestic Missions, including \$25 for “Brownell Hall,” Oregon, -	72 84
“ Diocesan Missions, - -	45 53
“ Communion Alms, - -	13 69
“ Episcopal and Convention Funds,	31 00
“ Gratuitous distribution of books, tracts, and religious publications, -	33 08
“ Evangelical Knowledge Society,	23 65
“ American Tract Society, -	22 50
“ American Society M. C. Jews, -	12 50
“ Bishop White Prayer Book Society,	8 06
“ Payment of debt on Rectory, -	55 00
“ Repairs on Rectory, - -	25 60
“ Subscriptions paid for enlargement of Church, - - -	211 50
“ Repairs on Church, - -	11 18
“ Rector's Salary, - -	500 00
“ Other Parochial Expenses, -	185 62
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\$1345 97	

The above services include those at the Union School House, in Mill Creek Hundred, where a number of families and communicants reside. I have also preached 25 times in other parishes within and without the Diocese, and delivered 11 addresses on various occasions, during the year. The plan for an enlargement of the church meets with favor. Owing to sickness and affliction in my family, I have not been able to be absent from them, in order to complete the subscriptions for this object. We need for the work about \$1500. Our present number of pews is 32 of which 7 are reserved for free seats for the young persons attending the schools in Newark, and other strangers who occasionally worship with us. We have therefore but 25 pews for 37 families and some other adult persons, who would be glad to have sittings in the church.

Death has snatched from us the last year two of our devoted and pious laymen, Christopher Brooks and Solomon Leche, Esqrs, both of

whom, after a work well done on earth, we believe are now rejoicing with the Church in glory.

SAMUEL R. SLACK, Rector.

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CHRIST CHURCH, DELAWARE CITY.

Baptisms—Infants, - - - - -	12
Confirmed, - - - - -	8
Communicants—Number in last report, - - - - -	5
“ Since removed, - - - - -	2
“ Died, - - - - -	1
“ Added, - - - - -	24
“ Present number, - - - - -	27
Marriages, - - - - -	2
Funerals, - - - - -	5
Sunday School, Teachers, Male 3, Female 8, Total, - - - - -	11
Scholars, “ 23, “ 45, “ - - - - -	68
Contributions—Communion Alms, - - - - -	10.11
Episcopal Fund, - - - - -	2.50
Other purposes, - - - - -	7.60
Total, - - - - -	20 21

Public services on Sundays 53, other days 8, total 61. The present incumbent took charge of the above parish in July, 1856. The state of things then, was such, that there was very little to encourage. A debt of over \$500 on the Church edifice remained unpaid. The building still unfinished, and receiving injury from every storm; with but a few church members, all females, and no person to take much interest in the secular work of the Parish.

Through the blessing of God, however, things begin to look a little more encouragingly. The membership of the Church has greatly increased, the congregations are large, with a new but flourishing Sunday School organized. The four individuals also who went security for the debt, have made the very liberal offer to liquidate it, on condition that the Church raise a like amount for the purposes of finishing the building and furnishing it with a bell. This small sum I have no doubt our sister Churches will help us to raise, in view of getting our church out of debt, as well as enabling us to finish it before the coming winter. A few dollars from each parish with what

we can obtain at home, will suffice. We hope therefore, that we shall be encouraged by our brethren in Christ. I have resumed the services at Fort Delaware Island, with fair prospects ; I also intend commencing service at St. George's. May the good Lord in whom we trust give us strength to persevere in his blessed work.

W. H. D. HATTON, Minister.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH, APPOQUINIMINK.

Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Number last reported,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47
“ Died,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Removed and withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Funerals, -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Sunday School, Teachers, -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ “ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15 00
Foreign “	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15 00
Library for Sunday School, .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15 00
Episcopal Fund, -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80 00
Convention, -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$135 00

Public services on Sundays and other festivals during the year.

The connection of the present Rector with this old and interesting Parish commenced on the first of July, 1856. In the discharge of professional duty since that period, he has met with many evidences of the fidelity and zeal of his lamented predecessor, whose untiring energy in his Master's cause will long be gratefully remembered by his parishioners.

The congregation of St. Ann's has considerably increased, and the number of strangers attending the public service of the Church, sanctions the belief, that the beauty of our Liturgy, and the solemnity of our worship, are both more clearly seen and more justly appreciated.

A number of pews that have long been vacant are now occupied

by prominent and influential families; and the Vestry are at present making efforts to repair and improve the Church building, and render it more comfortable and convenient.

Several hundred dollars have been subscribed for the purchase of an organ, and the liberality and zeal of those engaged in the undertaking render the prospect of its ultimate attainment highly favorable.

Improvements upon the Rectory are also in contemplation, and several liberal contributions have been voluntarily offered for that purpose.

From these and various other evidences of augmented regard for the Church, combined with the well-known hospitality and kind feeling of the parishioners generally toward their Pastor, the Rector is justified in believing that a growing interest in things spiritual and eternal is spreading itself among the congregation, and will soon be manifested by a more faithful discharge of their "Duty towards God and their duty towards their neighbor."

THOMAS F. BILLOPP, Rector.

#### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA.

Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Communicants, as per last report,	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Removed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Marriage, by the Bishop,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sunday School, Teachers—Males, 3; Females, 7; total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
" " Scholars, " 36; " 16; "	-	-	-	-	-	-	52
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	\$12.00	
" From Sunday School, Western Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	3.00	
" Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	6.00	
" Africa,	-	-	-	-	-	3.00	
" Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	8.00	
" Convention,	-	-	-	-	-	5.00	
— \$37 00							

The undersigned would respectfully state that our former Pastor received and accepted a call last Fall, from Munroe, Michigan; since

then our Church has been kept open, and Divine service held twice on Sunday, by the Rev. A. S. Colton. Our Saturday evening prayer meetings are very well attended.

H. R. PARSONS,  
Junior Warden.

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CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	3
Communicants, present number,	-	-	-	-	-	12
Public services, Sundays,	-	-	-	-	-	27

This parish presents a field very encouraging, and I may say, “white unto the harvest;” but I regret to add that the labor which it demands is not to be obtained. Public service, but once in two weeks, is far too little for so important and promising a place as Milford; and I can only lament the necessity which compels me to devote to other engagements, the time and labor which might be so profitably expended in this Parish.

JOHN L. M’KIM, Rector.

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ST. PAUL’S, GEORGETOWN.

Baptisms—Adults, 1, Infants, 6. Total,	-	-	-	-	7
Communicants, present number,	-	-	-	-	14
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	11
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	5
Sunday School about as last year,					
Contributions—Convention and Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	12
Public services since January 1,	-	-	-	-	11

The repairs of this Church mentioned in my last annual report were not completed until after Christmas, so that public service was not resumed before the second Sunday in January last. But we have now a very decent and comfortable house of worship, and the prospects of the parish are quite encouraging.

In this connection it gives me pleasure to acknowledge the generosity of Trinity Church, Wilmington, to which we are indebted for the handsome contribution of \$100, and also the friendly aid of certain brethren in Philadelphia, whose donations have been promptly added to save us from an embarrassing debt.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES.

I continued to officiate in this Church as according to my last report, once in every two weeks, until Advent, since which time my appointments there have been less frequent. My duties at Georgetown since the re-opening of the Church, have now obliged me to relinquish services at Lewes altogether. The Rev. Mr. McIlvaine, however, officiates frequently on Sundays, and the Rev. Mr. Wright on occasional week days, so that the Church is far from destitute of acceptable ministrations.

JOHN L. McKIM.

### ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, INDIAN RIVER, AND CHAPEL OF THE COM-FORTER, LONG NECK.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Sunday Schools,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Teachers, Male 4 ; Female 5,	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
Scholars, “ 25, “ 35,	-	-	-	-	-	-	60
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	3.17	
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	9.94	
Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	5.00	
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	\$18 11	

Public services on Sundays, 44 ; other days 2 ; Total, 46.

WILLIAM WRIGHT, Rector.

### ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MILLSBORO.

Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	6
“ Removed,	-	-	-	3
“ Added,	-	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	-	5
Contributions, partly made on Communion occasions,				
Domestic Missions,	-	-	1 37	
Foreign “	-	-	4 93	

Convention Fund,	-	-	5 00
Total,	-	-	<u>\$11 30</u>
Public services, Sundays,	-	-	24
WILLIAM WRIGHT, Rector.			

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GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE MILLS.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	5
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	6
“ Removed,	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	5
Contributions, partly taken up on Communion occasions,				
Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	78
Foreign “	-	-	-	2 38
Total,	-	-	-	<u>\$3 16</u>
Public services on Sundays,	-	-	-	20

At the commencement of the year, service was held in this church but once a month; the Missionary officiating the alternate occasions at Little Hill.

WILLIAM WRIGHT.

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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LITTLE HILL.

Communicants—number in last report,	-	-	-	38
“ Present number unknown.				
Contributions, partly taken up on Communion occasions—				
“ Foreign Missions,	-	-	5.06	
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	5.00	
			<u>—</u>	\$10 06
Public services on Sundays,	-	-	-	9

My first service in this Church was held January 11th, of the present year.

The Rev. Mr. McIlvaine has occasionally officiated for me. I have been prevented from keeping many of my appointments at each of the above churches, in consequence of bad weather.

WILLIAM WRIGHT, Missionary.

**CHRIST CHURCH, BROAD CREEK, AND ST. PHILIP'S CHAPEL,  
LAUREL.**

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	-	4
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—number in last report,	-	-	-	-	-	18
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ Transferred to St. Mark's Church,	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	13
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals—Adults 2, Children 2,	-	-	-	-	-	4
Sunday School in Laurel—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	4
Scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	25
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	4 00	
“ Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	1 00	
“ Infirm Clergymen,	-	-	-	-	2 00	
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	5 00	
“ Parochial objects,	-	-	-	-	5 87	
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Total,	-	-	-	-	\$17 87	

The Lord's Supper has been administered publicly three times in Christ Church, Broad Creek, and once in St. Phillip's Chapel, Laurel.

The Bishop visited Christ Church, Broad Creek, in the afternoon of Sunday, Nov. 22d, 1856, and in the afternoon of Wednesday, May 20, 1857, and preached; and on one of these occasions, he administered the Holy Communion. He visited St. Phillip's, Laurel, in the evening of Sunday, November 23d, 1856, and in the evening of Thursday, May 21st, 1857, and preached.

Meetings were established at Laurel, in October last, at which approved religious books, selected by myself, were read; which continued until the middle of December. A Bible Class was formed, at Laurel, on the 25th of April, 1856, which is still in existence, and effecting, it is believed, some degree of good.

On Saturday, April 18th, last, I commenced teaching a small school in St. Phillip's Chapel, Laurel. The object of its institution was the giving the same religious instruction that Sunday Schools aim at imparting to the young. From twelve to twenty children have attended the later meetings of this school.

A few services have been performed by me in addition, out of the Parishes forming my charge, and beyond the limits of the State of Delaware.

**RICHARD F. CADLE, Missionary.**

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD.**

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	4
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	-	14
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	15
Funerals, 1 adult and 1 child,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ Scholars	-	-	-	-	about 16 or 18	
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$2 00	
“ Infirm Clergymen,	-	-	-	-	4 00	
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	5 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	7 00	
“ Parochial objects,	-	-	-	-	12 52	

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**Total,** **\$30 52**

Public services on Sundays, 30 ; other days, 9 ; total, - 39

The Bishop visited this church, and preached on the morning of Saturday, November 22d, 1856, and on the morning of Wednesday, May 20th, 1857.

The service for the Holy Communion has been performed six times publicly in this church, during the past year ; on one of which occasions the Lord's Supper was administered by the Bishop of the Diocese.

A Sunday School was organized in October last, which, though still quite small, is, I trust, pursuing a course of usefulness.

The Sunday services at Lewisville, within the limit of the congregation of Christ Church, Broad Creek, have been deducted from the services that would have been performed at Seaford, if the consent of the Church at this last-mentioned place had not been kindly given to such arrangement.

**RICHARD F. CADLE,**  
**Missionary.**

# ST. MARK'S CHURCH, LITTLE CREEK HUNDRED.

Baptisms—Infant,	4
Communicants—Died,	1
“ Added,	1
Transferred from Broad Creek,	3
Present number, so far as known,	10
Funeral,	1
Public services on Sundays, 5 ; other days, 2 ; total,	7

These are the services performed since the organizing of the congregation, previously to which event, three Sunday services and seven services on other days were performed in the same locality, then considered as a part of the Parish of Christ Church, Broad Creek, as noticed in the report of said church.

On the 13th of January last, this church was organized at a private house, six miles south of Laurel. A Vestry was elected, and subscriptions were commenced for the building of a small, plain church, the cost of which was not to exceed five hundred dollars. From the amount subscribed for this object, I am encouraged to hope that the building of this church will be begun within a short time. A liberal offer of assistance has also been received from the Rector of one of the churches of the city of New York, for which the Vestry and congregation feel much gratitude.

The Lord's Supper has been administered once in private to a dying person, four other persons partaking at the same time.

I am not certain that the whole number of communicants has been yet ascertained, but in the course of the summer I hope to obtain more full information than I now possess, with regard to this point, and to the number of families and individuals composing the congregation of St. Mark's Church.

On the evening of Friday the 22d day of May, the Bishop preached to this congregation, on which occasion the attendance was large.

In the place which, I trust, will soon be set apart to the service of God, may His holy name be worshipped in truth and purity, through all generations, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

RICHARD F. CADLE,  
Missionary.

**REPORT OF REV. ASA S. COLTON.**

My services during the past Conventional year have been as follows :

At the Alms-House on Sunday, once in two weeks, when not otherwise engaged, with visits on week days ; and since last December, with an interval of about three weeks, every Sunday, two services in St. Peter's Church, Smyrna. Number of services, with preaching, during the year, 98 ; five of them being in Pennsylvania.

**ASA S. COLTON.**

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**REPORT OF REV. WILLIAM MARSHALL, DEACON.**

I would respectfully report that I am statedly engaged in scholastic duties. Sundays have been improved in assisting the Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D. Have several times ministered elsewhere, and have at all times endeavored to fulfil the claims on my office. For the future I expect to officiate at Newport. Have officiated at one Baptism, and also at two funerals.

**WILLIAM MARSHALL.**

The following is the amount of Assessment on each Parish in the Diocese for the support of the Episcopate, which is to be remitted annually to the Treasurer of the Convention, in accordance with Canon XV.

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	9 00
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, -	-	110 50
Trinity, Wilmington, -	-	82 50
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, -	-	56 50
Immanuel, New Castle, -	-	88 50
St. James' Church, Stanton, -	-	5 00
St. Thomas', Newark, -	-	25 50
Christ Church, Delaware City, -	-	18 50
St. Ann's, Middletown, -	-	21 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna, -	-	8 00
Christ Church, Milford, -	-	6 00
St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, -	-	7 00
St. Peter's, Lewes, -	-	16 00
St. George's Church, Indian River, and Chapel of Comforter, Long Neck, -	-	10 50
St. Mark's, Millsboro, -	-	2 50
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, -	-	2 50
St. John's, Little Hill, -	-	19 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Phillip's Chapel, Laurel, -	-	6 50
St. Luke's Seaford, -	-	7 50
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred, -	-	5 00

The following table exhibits the sum which each Parish is required to contribute to the Convention Fund in accordance with Canon X.

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred, -	-	5 00
St. John's Brandywine Village, -	-	5 00
Calvary, Brandywine Hundred, -	-	5 00
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, -	-	15 00
Trinity Church, Wilmington, -	-	15 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, -	-	15 00
Immanuel, New Castle, -	-	12 00
St. James Church, Stanton, -	-	5 00
St. Thomas', Newark, -	-	10 00
Christ Church, Delaware City, -	-	6 00
St. Ann's, Middletown, -	-	10 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna, -	-	5 00
Christ Church, Milford, -	-	5 00
St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, -	-	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes, -	-	8 00
St. George's Church, Indian River, and Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck, -	-	6 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro, -	-	5 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, -	-	5 00
St. John's Church, Little Hill, -	-	8 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek and St. Phillip's Chapel, Laurel, -	-	5 00
St. Luke's, Seaford, -	-	5 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred, -	-	5 00

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*John B. Lewis, Treasurer,*

1856.			
May 27,	To balance in Treasury,		83 26
" 28,	To cash from St. Luke's Church,		5 00
" "	" " Christ Church Broad Creek,		5 00
" "	" " Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,		5 00
" "	" " St. George's Church, Indian River,		6 00
" "	" " St. Mark's Church, Millsboro,		5 00
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes.		6 00
" "	" " St. Thomas Church, Newark,		6 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,		5 00
" "	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,		10 00
" "	" " Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,		5 00
Sept. 8,	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,		5 00
1857.			
June 1,	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington,		15 00
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			\$166 26
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June 2,	To balance in Treasury,		48 56

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*John B. Lewis, Treasurer,*

1856.			
Sept. 8,	*To cash from St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,		10 00
1857.			
April 6,	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,		27 50
May 18,	" " St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington,		106 00
June 1,	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington,		75 50
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		50 50
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			\$269 50

\*The amount paid by St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, \$5 to Episcopate, omitted by error, and \$15 by Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, to Convention fund paid June 2, after account was made up.

*in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

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May 29,	By cash paid the Sexton of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, as per order of Convention,	500
" "	By cash paid Henry Eckel for publishing the Journal of Convention for 1855, as per order of the Convention,	80 00
Aug. 20,	By cash paid A. I. du Pont, Esq., Secretary of Convention, by order of Convention,	10 70
Sept. 27,	By cash paid the Rt. Rev. Bishop Lee for the use of General Convention as by order of the same,	27 00
1857. June 2,	Balance in Treasury,	48 56
		<hr/> 166 26

*in account with the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Delaware. CR.*

1857. May 18,	By cash paid the Rt. Rev. Bishop Lee,	106 00
June 2,	By cash paid the Rt. Rev. Bishop Lee,	163 50
		<hr/> \$269 50

# ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—1857.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	BAPTISMS.			COMMUNICANTS.							SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				CONTRIBUTIONS—MISSIONS.					
	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Added.	Present No.	Marriages.	Funerals.	TEACHERS		SCHOLARS.		Discipline.	Domestic.	Foreign.	Total.		
											Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.					Female.	Total.
Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred, . . .	3		3			1	3	18	1	1			8			80 03	19 00	\$ 49 03		
St. John's, Brandywine Village, . . .																				
St. Andrews, Wilmington, . . .	24	6	30	30	7	17	37	221	7	19	18		106	259	382	170 10	101 42	189 25	460 77	
Trinity Church, . . .	67	5	72	10	5	11	30	165	14	41	25		296			100 00	180 00	45 78	825 78	
Christ Church, Christians Hundred, . . .	38	6	44	14	2	13	27	113	2	13	8	16	179	76	104	144 48	70 62	120 01	335 11	
Immanuel Church, New Castle, . . .	20	1	21	6	3	3	9	67	2	4	8	12	88	33	50	145 46	60 76		206 22	
St. James', Stanton, . . .																				
St. Thomas', Newark, . . .	14	1	15	4	2	3	14	51	3	8	1	1	17	9	8	85 34	94 22		225 09	
Christ Church, Delaware City, . . .	12		12	8	1	2	24	27	2	5	8	6	68	11	23	15 00		15 00	30 00	
St. Ann's, Middletown, . . .	2		2		1	5	1	42	5	3	4		40			15 00			24 00	
St. Peter's, Smyrna, . . .																				
Christ Church, Milford, . . .	3		3	5		5	5	18	1		8	7	52	10	36	15 00	9 00			
St. Paul's, Georgetown, . . .	6	1	7					12		6										
St. Peter's, Lewes, . . .								14	11		9		54							
St. George's, Indian River, and Chapel of the Comforter, . . .	8		8				2	21	2	2	12		60			8 17	9 95	10 00	18 12	
St. Mark's, Millsboro, . . .								2			9		60			1 37	4 98	6 80	8 16	
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, . . .	5		5			3	3	5			5		25			78	2 88	5 06	8 06	
St. John's, Little Hill, . . .						1		38												
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel, . . .	4		4	1		6	1	13	2	4	4		26			8 20	8 94	5 06	12 14	
St. Luke's, Seafood, . . .	4		4	2			1	15		2	2		18			2 00			2 00	
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred, . . .	4		4		1		1	10												
New Castle County, . . .	1		1																	
Christ Church, Dover, . . .																				
Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred, . . .																				
Grace Church, . . .																				
St. James', Newport, . . .																				
St. John Baptist, Milton, . . .																				
													1724			460 11	658 20	207 00	21720 20	

# ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS, 1857.—CONTINUED.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	CONTRIBUTIONS.						RECTORS.
	Charitable Objects.	Epiacopate.	Convention.	Parochial Purposes.	Not Specified.	Total.	
Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred, . . .	22 58	9 00	5 00	818 40	180 00	\$ 579 01	Rev John B Clewson, D D.
St. John's, Brandywine Village, . . .				8710 22		8710 22	Rev Charles Breck, Assiat., Rev. Stevens Parker.
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, . . .	185 42	106 00	15 00	2900 00	64 00	3781 19	Rt. R. Alfred Lee, D.D., As. Rev. W. A. Newbold
Trinity Church, . . .	281 64	75 50	15 00	8820 98	96 94	9115 79	Rev. Charles Breck, Assiat, Rev. Stevens Parker.
Christ Church, Christians Hundred, . . .	252 01	50 50	15 00	2028 38	77 49	2758 44	" Samuel C. Brinckle.
Immanuel Church, New Castle, . . .	121 02	27 50		423 58	12 17	790 50	" Benjamin Franklin.
St. James', Stanton, . . .						12 72	" George Sheets.
St. Thomas', Newark, . . .	13 69	21 00	10 00	988 90	87 29	1345 97	" Samuel R. Slack.
Christ Church, Delaware City, . . .	10 11	2 50		15 00	7 60	20 21	" William H. D. Hatton.
St. Ann's, Middletown, . . .		80 00	10 00			135 00	" Thomas F. Billopp.
St. Peter's, Smyrna, . . .		8 00	6 00			37 00	Vacant.
Christ Church, Milford, . . .							Rev. John L. McKim.
St. Paul's, Georgetown, . . .		7 00	5 00			12 00	" "
St. Peter's, Lewes, . . .						10 00	" "
St. George's, Ind. Riv. & Chapel of the Comforter, . . .			5 00			18 12	" William Wright.
St. Mark's, Millaboro, . . .			5 00			11 80	" "
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, . . .						8 16	" "
St. John's, Little Hill, . . .			5 00			10 06	" "
Christ Church, Br'd Creek, & St. Philip's, Laurel, . . .	2 00		5 00			25 01	" Richard F. Cadle.
St. Luke's, Seaford, . . .	4 00	7 00	5 00	5 87		30 52	" " "
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred, . . .			5 00	12 52			" " "
New Castle County, . . .							Rev. William Marshall,
Christ Church, Dover, . . .							" "
Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred, . . .							" "
Grace Church, . . .							" "
St. James', Newport, . . .							Rev. William Marshall.
St. John Baptist, Milton, . . .							
Total, . . .	692 47	394 00	106 00	18,718 76	517 89	\$22,856 22	

## STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

*From the Episcopal Address, the Parochial Reports, &c.*

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese,	-	-	18
Number of Parishes in union with the Convention,	-	-	25
Number of Parishes without a Clergyman,	-	-	4
Number of Clergymen having more than one parochial charge,			5
Clergymen received with letters dimissory,	-	-	2
Clergymen to whom letters dimissory have been given,			3
Ordained to the Diaconate,	-	-	3
Candidates for Holy orders,	-	-	2
Baptisms—Adults 20, Infants 210, total,	-	-	230
Confirmed,	-	-	82
Communicants—Added 157, lost by removal 70, lost by death 22, present number,	-	-	895
Marriages,	-	-	54
Funerals,	-	-	115
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	222
“ Scholars,	-	-	1784

### *Contributions.*

To Missions—Domestic, 663 39 ; Diocesan, 460 11 ; Foreign, 597 00 ; total,	-	-	1720 50
To the Episcopal Fund, from 11 Churches,	-	-	394 00
To the Convention Fund, from 13 Churches,	-	-	105 00
Charitable objects,	-	-	892 47
Parochial purposes,	-	-	18 718 76
Total amount of contributions from 18 Parishes,	-	-	22 356 22

*Summary.*

Baptisms—Adults 20, Infants 210,	-	-	-	-	230
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	82
Communicants—Deceased,	-	-	-	-	22
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	70
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	157
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	895
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	54
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	115
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	-	-	222
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	1784
Contributions—Missions,	-	-	-	\$1720	50
“ Episcopate,	-	-	-	394	00
“ Convention,	-	-	-	105	00
“ Charitable objects,	-	-	-	892	47
“ Parochial purposes,	-	-	-	18 718	76
“ Total,	-	-	-	22 356	22



CONSTITUTION  
OF THE  
**Protestant Episcopal Church,**  
**IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.**

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ARTICLE I.

*Of acceding to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention.*

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes and adopts the general Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

*Of the meetings of the Diocesan Convention.*

The Annual Convention of this Diocese shall be held on the last Wednesday in May, in each year; alternately in each County in this State; *Provided*, however, that in case of a prevailing contagious disease in the place thus designated; or a domestic insurrection in, or of an invasion of the county so named for holding the Convention, by a public enemy—that the Bishop, with the approbation of the Standing Committee, or the Standing Committee, if there be no Bishop, may appoint such other place for the annual meeting of the Convention as they may deem expedient; of which change of the place of holding the Convention, due public notice shall be given, and also special notice to the ministers of the several parishes in this State—at such place as a previous Convention may designate. The time of meeting may be altered, from time to time, by the Convention. And special Conventions may be called by the Bishop, or, if there be none, by the Standing Committee; one month's previous notice being given.

ARTICLE III.

*Of members of the Convention.*

The Convention shall be composed of the officiating Ministers regularly settled in some congregation in this Diocese; and of Lay Members, consisting of two Delegates from each congregation, to be

chosen by the Vestry thereof; or, if there be no Vestry, by the congregation. And clergymen canonically resident in this Diocese, who are engaged as Professors, or Instructors of youth, in any Diocesan Institution, or in any Academy or Seminary of learning, officially recommended by the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee; and also Missionaries, under the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, and Chaplains in the Navy or Army of the United States, may be members of the Convention.

Provided, that all such Parochial Clergymen shall have been actually and personally resident, within this State, for not less than six calendar months, next before the meeting of the Convention, and that all such clergymen, engaged in the work of instruction only, and Chaplains, shall have been actually and personally resident in this State, not less than twelve calendar months, next before such meeting.

The Bishop, and the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, whether belonging to this Diocese, or having charge of it provisionally, shall have a seat and vote in the Convention; and one of them shall preside. If there be none, the Convention shall elect for its President one of the Presbyters attending.

No Clergyman of advanced years, or infirm health, who has been once entitled to a seat in the Convention, shall lose his right thereto by reason of having ceased from the active duties of his calling.

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### *Of a Quorum.*

Six members of the clerical, and twelve of the lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### *Of the deliberations of the Convention.*

In all matters that shall come before the Convention, the clergy and laity shall deliberate in one body: but if upon any question it be required by two members, the two orders shall vote separately; (the lay delegation from each parish being entitled to but one vote,) when required by the delegates of two parishes, and the concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

## ARTICLE VI.

*Of the Secretary of the Convention.*

A Secretary shall be chosen, immediately upon the assembling of the Annual Convention, from among the members thereof, by a joint ballot, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, to publish the annual Journal under the supervision of the Bishop or presiding officer of the Convention, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Convention, which may be in his possession. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of each Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal. He shall also transmit to every General Convention a certificate signed by himself, containing a list of the Clergymen in this Diocese, and the amount of funds paid, or secured to be paid, (distinguishing them,) to the General Theological Seminary; and also a like certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies. It shall also be his duty to give at least one month's notice, in one or more newspapers published in this State, of the time and place of holding every Convention, whether stated or special.

When a vacancy occurs, during the recess of Convention, in the office of Secretary, the Secretary of the Standing Committee shall perform the duties of the office, until the next meeting of the Convention.

## ARTICLE VII.

*Of the Opening of the Convention.*

Every Convention shall be opened by the celebration of Divine service, and of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his Clergy to preach, at the opening of the Convention. If there be no Bishop, or none having provisional charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall appoint the preacher.

## ARTICLE VIII.

*Of the Standing Committee.*

Before the adjournment of each Annual Convention, a Standing Committee shall be appointed, by a concurrent ballot of both orders,



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**IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.**

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ARTICLE I.

*Of acceding to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention.*

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes and adopts the general Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

*Of the meetings of the Diocesan Convention.*

The Annual Convention of this Diocese shall be held on the last Wednesday in May, in each year; alternately in each County in this State; *Provided*, however, that in case of a prevailing contagious disease in the place thus designated; or a domestic insurrection in, or of an invasion of the county so named for holding the Convention, by a public enemy—that the Bishop, with the approbation of the Standing Committee, or the Standing Committee, if there be no Bishop, may appoint such other place for the annual meeting of the Convention as they may deem expedient; of which change of the place of holding the Convention, due public notice shall be given, and also special notice to the ministers of the several parishes in this State—at such place as a previous Convention may designate. The time of meeting may be altered, from time to time, by the Convention. And special Conventions may be called by the Bishop, or, if there be none, by the Standing Committee; one month's previous notice being given.

ARTICLE III.

*Of members of the Convention.*

The Convention shall be composed of the officiating Ministers regularly settled in some congregation in this Diocese; and of Lay Members, consisting of two Delegates from each congregation, to be

chosen by the Vestry thereof; or, if there be no Vestry, by the congregation. And clergymen canonically resident in this Diocese, who are engaged as Professors, or Instructors of youth, in any Diocesan Institution, or in any Academy or Seminary of learning, officially recommended by the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee; and also Missionaries, under the ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, and Chaplains in the Navy or Army of the United States, may be members of the Convention.

Provided, that all such Parochial Clergymen shall have been actually and personally resident, within this State, for not less than six calendar months, next before the meeting of the Convention, and that all such clergymen, engaged in the work of instruction only, and Chaplains, shall have been actually and personally resident in this State, not less than twelve calendar months, next before such meeting.

The Bishop, and the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, whether belonging to this Diocese, or having charge of it provisionally, shall have a seat and vote in the Convention; and one of them shall preside. If there be none, the Convention shall elect for its President one of the Presbyters attending.

No Clergyman of advanced years, or infirm health, who has been once entitled to a seat in the Convention, shall lose his right thereto by reason of having ceased from the active duties of his calling.

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### *Of a Quorum.*

Six members of the clerical, and twelve of the lay order, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a smaller number may adjourn.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### *Of the deliberations of the Convention.*

In all matters that shall come before the Convention, the clergy and laity shall deliberate in one body: but if upon any question it be required by two members, the two orders shall vote separately; (the lay delegation from each parish being entitled to but one vote,) when required by the delegates of two parishes, and the concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to give validity to any measure.

## ARTICLE VI.

*Of the Secretary of the Convention.*

A Secretary shall be chosen, immediately upon the assembling of the Annual Convention, from among the members thereof, by a joint ballot, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, to publish the annual Journal under the supervision of the Bishop or presiding officer of the Convention, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Convention, which may be in his possession. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of each Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal. He shall also transmit to every General Convention a certificate signed by himself, containing a list of the Clergymen in this Diocese, and the amount of funds paid, or secured to be paid, (distinguishing them,) to the General Theological Seminary; and also a like certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies. It shall also be his duty to give at least one month's notice, in one or more newspapers published in this State, of the time and place of holding every Convention, whether stated or special.

When a vacancy occurs, during the recess of Convention, in the office of Secretary, the Secretary of the Standing Committee shall perform the duties of the office, until the next meeting of the Convention.

## ARTICLE VII.

*Of the Opening of the Convention.*

Every Convention shall be opened by the celebration of Divine service, and of the Lord's Supper. And it shall be the duty of the Bishop, either to deliver a charge or sermon, or to appoint one of his Clergy to preach, at the opening of the Convention. If there be no Bishop, or none having provisional charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall appoint the preacher.

## ARTICLE VIII.

*Of the Standing Committee.*

Before the adjournment of each Annual Convention, a Standing Committee shall be appointed, by a concurrent ballot of both orders,

which shall consist of three of the clergy, and two of the laity. This committee shall continue in office until the end of the next Annual Convention, or until their successors are duly appointed. In case of a vacancy occurring, by death or otherwise, the remaining members of the committee shall, by ballot, supply the same. The Standing Committee shall, as soon as may be after their appointment, elect from their own body a president and secretary; and if either of these offices become vacant, the vacancy shall, without delay, be filled by another election. The president shall be a Presbyter. The Standing Committee shall present to each Annual Convention an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Convention.

#### ARTICLE IX.

##### *Of the Election of a Bishop.*

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in Convention in the following manner. The order of the clergy shall nominate and appoint, by ballot, some fit and qualified Presbyter for that office; and the votes of two-thirds of that order shall be requisite to constitute a choice: and thereupon, such appointment shall be presented to the order of lay delegates, and be considered by them; and if, on a ballot, it should appear that the person so nominated be approved of by two-thirds of the lay order, he shall then be declared to be duly elected. And upon a vacancy occurring in the Episcopal Office in this Church, by death or otherwise, such vacancy shall be supplied by an election in the manner before prescribed. No election for a Bishop shall be held, unless there be present at the time three-fourths of all the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and delegates from three-fourths of all the congregations in union with the same, and contributing to the Convention Fund.

#### ARTICLE X.

##### *Of the trial of Clergymen.*

SECTION 1. Any Presbyter or Deacon of this Diocese may be presented for trial, for any crime or other offence, as provided in Canon XXXVII, of 1832, of the General Convention.\*

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#### \*CANONS OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1832.

##### CANON XXXVII.

##### *Of offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished.*

SECTION 1. Every Minister shall be liable to presentment and trial, for any crime or gross immorality, for disorderly conduct, for drunkenness, for profane

**SEC. 2.** Every such presentment shall be made in writing to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, in case of a vacancy in the office of Bishop, to the president of the Standing Committee.

**SEC. 3.** A presentment shall specify, with clearness and certainty, the offence or offences charged, and shall be signed by the persons making it.

**SEC. 4.** A presentment shall be made by a majority of the Vestry, in a Vestry meeting duly convened, of the Parish with which the person accused is connected; or, if he be not connected with any parish, in which he resides; or, if he do not reside within the limits of any parish, of the parish nearest to his place of residence; or by four or more male communicants of the same; or by two presbyters of this Diocese; a presentment being always made by one of the above classes, exclusive of the others; and a Deacon not being permitted to unite in a presentment.

**SEC. 5.** Upon the receipt of any such presentment, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, if he shall deem it advisable after consultation with the Standing Committee, or of the president of the Standing Committee, as the case may be, after such advisement, to take measures for trial, and to furnish a copy of said presentment to the accused, giving him notice of the time and place of trial.

**SEC. 6.** The Bishop shall thereupon summon all the Presbyters of this Diocese, except such as may have presented, to meet at some convenient place within the same, on some day not less than thirty days after the date of said summons; of which Presbyters, any three or more attending shall be the Court for the trial of the party accused, to decide upon his guilt or innocence, and, if found guilty, to recommend a sentence by a majority of voices.

**SEC. 7.** A copy of the presentment, and a notice of the summons of the said Presbyters, shall be served upon the party accused, at least twenty days before the day appointed for trial, by delivering the same to him personally, or by leaving the same at his place of residence, or his last place of residence in this State, if he have left the same, or cannot be found.

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swearing, for frequenting places most liable to be abused to licentiousness, and for violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, or of the Diocese to which he belongs; and on being found guilty, he shall be admonished, suspended or degraded, according to the Canons of the Diocese in which the trial takes place, until otherwise provided for by the General Convention.

**SEC. 8.** The judgment of the Court shall be delivered to the Bishop, with the records of the trial and the sentence recommended; and the Bishop may pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided such sentence shall not exceed in severity that recommended by the Court of trial; and his sentence shall be final; or, if the Bishop deem it necessary to justice, he may order a new trial, to be held as hereinbefore directed.

**SEC. 9.** If there be no Bishop, the sentence of the Court shall be submitted to some neighboring Bishop, who may either order a new trial, or ratify and pronounce the said sentence, which shall then be final.

**SEC. 10.** Witnesses for the prosecution, and for the defence at the request of the party accused, shall be summoned by the said Court, for a full and impartial hearing of the whole matter.

**SEC. 11.** The party accused shall have a right to be present at the trial, and to be heard in his defence; and may avail himself of the aid of counsel.

**SEC. 12.** The records of all proceedings on the presentment of a clergyman shall, after the final decision, be delivered to the Secretary of the Standing Committee, to be preserved with their papers.

**SEC. 13.** If the accused be acquitted, the Bishop, or President of the Standing Committee, as the case may require, shall give him a certificate of acquittal, embracing a copy of the presentment; and he shall not be subject to presentment again upon the same charge.

## ARTICLE XI.

### *Of a Clergyman accused by public rumor.*

**SECTION 1.** Whenever, from public rumor or otherwise, the Bishop shall have reason to believe that a clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offence or misconduct, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an investigation, it shall be his duty to appoint two presbyters, as a committee of inquiry, to examine into the truth of such rumors or allegations, according to the provisions of Sec. 2, of Canon XXXVII, of the General Convention of 1832.\*

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\***Sec. 2.** If any minister of this Church shall be accused by public rumor, of discontinuing all exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship, or of the holy eucharist according to the offices of this church, or of being guilty of scandalous, disorderly or immoral conduct, or of violating the Canons, or preaching or in-

**SEC. 2.** Should the crime, offence or misdemeanor, of which said clergyman is accused, be found supported, in whole or in part upon such inquiry, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless upon consultation with the Standing Committee he shall deem such finding insufficient, to proceed to take measures for trial, as is provided in **Article X.** of the Constitution.

## **ARTICLE XII.**

### *Of the admission of new Parishes.*

Any Protestant Episcopal congregation within this State, duly organized, but not in union with the Convention of this Diocese at the time of ordaining this Constitution, shall be entitled to the entire benefit thereof, as soon as they shall signify their ratification of it, either in writing, or by sending lay delegates as members of the Convention; and such congregation shall thereafter be benefitted and bound by every rule or canon which shall be framed by any Convention, acting under the Constitution, for the government of this Church in its ecclesiastical concerns.

## **ARTICLE XIII.**

### *Of Ministers, members of Vestries.*

When not forbidden by the charter of any congregation, the presbyter, who is settled as the minister of the parish, shall be a member of the Vestry thereof, and, when present, shall preside at its meetings.

## **ARTICLE XIV.**

### *Of the mode in which the Constitution may be changed.*

This Constitution shall be unalterable, except in the following manner: A proposition for any change shall be introduced in writing and considered in Convention, and, if approved of, the same shall be published at large in the Journal of the Convention; and, if again approved of in the next ensuing Convention, by a majority of the two orders, voting thereon separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.

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culcating heretical doctrine, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted, according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions and Canons.



CANONS  
OF THE  
**Protestant Episcopal Church,**  
**IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.**

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CANON I.

*A List to be made of the Clergy.*

SEC. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures or parishes, or stations as missionaries, or of the colleges, academies, or general seminaries of learning in which they are engaged; or in regard to those who are not engaged in parishes, missions, or institutions of learning as above mentioned, their places of residence only, distinguishing those who are entitled to seats in the Convention.

SEC. 2. The right of any Clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention, shall, if disputed, be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself; whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

SEC. 3. If there be no Bishop, or none having provisional charge of this Diocese, the President of the Standing Committee shall prepare the said list, and lay it before the Convention.

CANON II.

*Certificates of Lay Delegates.*

The appointment of a lay delegate to the Convention of this Diocese shall be certified in writing by the Rector of the parish of which he is a representative, or by one of the wardens, or by the clerk or secretary of the vestry of such church; and no other certificate of such appointment shall be allowed or received. And no lay delegate shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention, unless he be eligible to the office of vestryman of the church which he claims to represent.

## CANON III.

*Of the Treasurer of the Convention.*

SEC. 1. There shall be appointed by the Convention a Treasurer of the Church in this State, who shall be a man of good character and responsibility. He shall be removed at the pleasure of the Convention; but, unless so removed, he shall continue in office until a successor is appointed. He shall keep a fair and exact account of all moneys received and paid by him; and shall lay before the Convention, annually, or oftener if required, a full and accurate statement of his accounts. He shall pay no money but by order of the Convention, and shall, in all things relating to his office, conform to their rules and directions.

SEC. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, during the recess of the Convention, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Standing Committee; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention.

## CANON IV.

*Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.*

SEC. 1. Whereas, by the XXIXth Canon of the General Convention of 1832, it is made the duty of every minister to keep a register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages and funerals, within his cure; agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies—it is hereby ordered, that the record shall specify the name and time of birth of the child baptized, with the names of the parents and sponsors; the name of the adult baptized; the names of the persons confirmed; the names of all the communicants within his cure, as nearly as can be ascertained; the names of the parties married, and the authority under which the rite was celebrated; the names of the persons buried; and also the time when each rite was performed, or each new communicant admitted. These records shall be kept by the minister, in a book to be provided for that purpose by the vestry of each church; which book shall be the parish register, and shall be preserved by the vestry as a part of the records of the church.

Each minister shall also keep, as far as practicable, a list of all the families and adult persons within his cure, to remain for the use of his successor, and to be continued by him, and by the future ministers of the parish.

**SEC. 2.** And whereas, by the XIIth Canon of the General Convention of 1853, it is made the duty of each minister to present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop, or when there is none, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his cure, and of all other matters that may throw light on its condition; it is hereby further *ordered*, that in reporting the number of communicants, the minister shall state, besides the whole number at the time, the number of additions, removals and deaths, since the last report.

**SEC. 3.** The above report shall also mention the number of teachers and scholars in Sunday Schools, and other catechumens connected with the parish—and the amount of contributions for religious and charitable objects, specifying them.

**SEC. 4.** When a parish is destitute of a minister, the register contemplated by this Canon shall be kept by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose; and the annual parochial report shall be presented or forwarded, as ordered in Sec. 2, by the Wardens.

#### CANON V.

##### *Of the Report to the General Convention.*

A committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at the stated meetings of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop if there be one, a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese, to be presented to the General Convention.

#### CANON VI.

##### *Of the Deputies to the General Convention.*

**SEC. 1.** Deputies to the General Convention shall be chosen by the concurrent ballot of the clerical and lay votes, at every stated Convention of this Diocese; and their appointment shall continue until the next stated Convention, or until others are chosen in their places.

**SEC. 2.** Should any deputy elected discover, one month before the meeting of the General Convention, his inability to attend, he shall notify the president of the Standing Committee of such inability, and it shall be the duty of the Committee to supply the vacancy occurring in this or in any other way, before the meeting of the Convention.

**SEC. 3.** Should a vacancy occur, by death or otherwise, in the deputation to the General Convention, it shall be supplied by the

concurrent vote of the remaining clerical and lay deputies when it shall be practicable.

SEC. 4. Clerical deputies to the General Convention may present an account of their expenses, in their travel and attendance, to the Standing Committee, who shall make a reasonable allowance for the same, to be paid by the Treasurer of the Convention out of its funds.

## CANON VII.

### *Of Lay Discipline.*

SEC. 1. If a layman, repelled from the Holy Communion according to the rubric, shall complain thereof to the Bishop, according to Canon XLII of the General Convention of 1832, the Bishop, (or his assistant Bishop,) whether belonging to this Diocese, or having provisional charge thereof, shall, unless he restore him to the Communion according to said canon, appoint two disinterested clergymen, and two disinterested laymen who are communicants, to inquire into and try the case. If they report to the Bishop that the repelled person should be restored, the Bishop shall so direct; and no minister of this Diocese shall deny him the Holy Communion. If they report otherwise, or make no report within three months from their appointment, the repulsion shall continue in force.

If this judicatory for the trial of a layman shall be equally divided concerning the guilt of the accused, or the propriety of restoring him to the Communion, they may elect as umpire any other disinterested male communicant in this diocese, whether clerical or lay, and make their report within three months as aforesaid. And, at any time after conviction, if the judicatory do not define the term of the repulsion, the Bishop, (or his assistant Bishop,) or the minister of the parish, being a presbyter, may restore the repelled person to the Holy Communion, according to the rubric.

SEC. 2. Communicants neglecting the Holy Communion or the public worship of the church for the space of six months, without a reason satisfactory to their parochial minister, or leading inconsistent and immoral lives, may, after admonition, be suspended by the minister from the Communion; and if, within a reasonable time, there is no satisfactory proof given of reformation, their names shall be removed from the Parochial Register of Communicants; and they shall be considered as repelled, and notified thereof. Notice is in all such cases to be given to the Bishop according to the provision of

the rubric concerning repulsion, and the same proceedings may be had as provided in Sec. 1.

**SEC. 3.** A layman under repulsion from the Holy Communion, if visited with extreme or mortal sickness, may be re-admitted to that ordinance without trial, or after conviction, if the Presbyter attending him deem him truly penitent, and in charity with all men.

### **CANON VIII.**

#### *Of Trials and Penalties.*

**SEC. 1.** All trials, whether of clergymen or laymen, shall be in public, if the party accused so require, unless the judicatory are of opinion that such publicity will occasion unholy scoffing, and be contrary to edification. When a public trial is refused, the accused may have present any six male communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and the party presenting or prosecuting may have present the same number of other such communicants.

**SEC. 2.** Witnesses at any trial may, if demanded by either party, be put on oath. Written evidence may be admitted, on either side, the other party having had sufficient notice of the time and place of taking the same, and being allowed to attend when it is taken; and the persons examined for the written evidence may also be put on oath.

**SEC. 3.** Counsel shall be allowed the accused, if he require it; in which case, the party presenting or prosecuting shall be allowed the same privilege. And every judicatory may have counsel as they shall desire.

### **CANON IX.**

#### *Of the Missionary and Education Committee.*

**SEC. 1.** At each Annual Convention there shall be appointed a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and two clergymen and two laymen elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee, to which shall be entrusted the charge of conducting the operations of the Church in behalf of Missions, Education, and benevolent objects connected therewith. This committee shall elect a Secretary and Treasurer, and report their doings to the next stated Convention, and their appointment shall continue until the next annual Convention, or until others are chosen in their places.

**SEC. 2.** It shall be the duty of every Parish to raise contributions for the purpose designated in the following section, by collection or

otherwise, monthly or oftener, which shall be remitted quarterly to the Treasurer.

SEC. 3. The committee shall employ the funds so transmitted to them in support of Missionaries laboring within this Diocese, (such Missionaries being always nominated by the Bishop,) or transmit the same, or a portion thereof, to the Domestic or the Foreign Committee of the General Board of Missions; or employ a portion thereof in assisting deserving and indigent candidates for the sacred ministry, in their necessary preparation for the same; or in the erection or repair of churches in feeble Parishes, at their discretion. But any Parish or donor may direct the application, wholly or in part, of their contributions, which directions shall be strictly observed.

## CANON X.

### *Of the Convention Fund.*

Each congregation in the Diocese shall pay annually the sum of five dollars, and in addition to that sum, each congregation having over twenty communicants and not exceeding thirty, shall pay one dollar; and every congregation having over thirty and not exceeding forty communicants, shall pay three dollars; and every congregation having over forty and not exceeding sixty communicants, shall pay five dollars; and every congregation having over sixty and not exceeding one hundred communicants, shall pay seven dollars; and every congregation having over one hundred communicants shall pay ten dollars, for defraying the expenses and charges to which the Convention is liable.

## CANON XI.

### *Of the Vestry of a Church.*

SEC. 1. In every church in this Diocese there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, unless some other day be appointed, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, nor more than nine members, which number, unless specified by articles of association or by charter, shall be designated before the election takes place, who shall continue in office until their successors are appointed; and they shall have power to fill all vacancies which may occur during the year, and be judges of their own election; and in such elections a plurality of votes shall decide the choice. Two of these Vestrymen shall be designated at the election to serve as Wardens, one of whom shall

be designated as the Senior Warden of the Parish—who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at the meetings of the Vestry. In the absence of both, the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings—attest the public acts of the Vestry—preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish—perform such other duty as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents of the Parish that may be in his possession.

SEC. 2. No person shall be entitled to vote at such election who is not a pew or seat holder or renter, or an annual subscriber to the support of the minister of the church, or a male communicant of the same.

SEC. 3. No person shall be eligible as a Vestrymen who is not a qualified voter in the parish, according to the provisions of Sec. 2, and an habitual attendant upon the services of the church for which he is elected.

SEC. 4. If any Vestryman shall be guilty of scandalous or immoral conduct, or shall be notoriously immoral in his general character, or entirely neglect attendance upon public worship, it shall be the duty of the minister, or in case there shall be no minister, of the Senior Warden, to present him to the Vestry, who shall have power, on being satisfied of his guilt, to expel him, provided always, that at least a majority of the whole number concur in such expulsion, and that the person expelled shall have a right to appeal to the Bishop.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a minister, and to provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the church during the celebration of divine worship, and in general to act as helpers to the minister, in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the Gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens, especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper, to collect the alms and offerings at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the church is destitute of a minister, and while the church is desti-

tute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship by occasional clerical services, or by lay reading, under the advice of the Bishop.

Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or, in his absence, by the Senior Warden, and meetings shall be called at the request of two Vestrymen. The Vestry may adjourn, from time to time, at their pleasure.

(Parishes now in union with the Convention are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their charters, articles of association, or by-laws.)

## CANON XII.

### *Of Lay Readers.*

No one shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; and lay readers shall, in all cases, conform to the provisions of Sec. 12 of Canon III of 1856, of the General Convention.

## CANON XIII.

### *Of Trustees of Bishop's Fund, &c.*

At the present, and at each future annual Convention, five Trustees of the "Fund for the support of a Bishop, and to aid missionaries and necessitous ministers, their widows and children," shall be elected by concurrent ballot of both orders: to continue in office until the next annual Convention thereafter, or until their successors are duly appointed. In case of vacancy, by death or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the remaining Trustees to notify the Standing Committee of the Diocese thereof, and it shall be the duty of the said committee to supply such vacancy, as soon as they shall have knowledge of the same, by such notice, or otherwise.

## CANON XIV.

### *Of Elections.*

In all elections, not otherwise provided for and regulated by the constitution of the P. E. Church in this State, the votes of a majority of all the members present; or, if voting by orders, of a majority of all present of the respective orders, shall be necessary to a choice.

## CANON XV.

### *Of Episcopal Contributions.*

It shall be the duty of the Wardens of every Parish to collect at the rate of fifty cents annually for each communicant therein, together

with such other voluntary contributions as may be made to them for the same object, either privately or by public collections for that object, in their respective parishes, and pay the same over annually to the Treasurer of the Convention for the time being, subject to the Bishop's order, for his own private use.

#### CANON XVI.

##### *Of Alterations and Additions to the Canons.*

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention except at a stated meeting, nor (unless by unanimous consent,) until it shall have been reported on by a committee. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case, the same, (unless negatived by a majority of the votes,) shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

#### CANON XVII.

##### *Repealing former Canons.*

All former Canons of this Diocese, not included in these Canons, are hereby repealed.

The Treasurer having inadvertently omitted a part of his account with the Episcopal Fund, has requested the insertion of the following corrected statement:—

To balance in Treasury, May 27, 1856,	-	-	-	\$129 50
May 28, To cash from St. Luke's Church,	-	-	-	7 00
" " " " Ascension Church,	-	-	-	8 00
" " " " St. Paul's Church,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,	-	-	-	15 00
" " " " St. Thomas' Church,	-	-	-	18 50
" " " " Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	5 50
June 18, By cash paid Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee,	-	-	\$188 50	
Sept. 8, To cash from St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,	-	-	-	10 00
April 6, '57, To cash " Immanuel Church,	-	-	-	27 50
May 18, " " St. Andrew's Church,	-	-	-	106 00
" " By cash paid Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee,	-	-	106 00	
June 1, To cash from Trinity Church,	-	-	-	75 50
" " " " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	50 50
" " By cash paid Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee,	-	-	163 50	
Total,	-	-	-	\$458 00 \$458 00

The following sums for the Episcopal Fund were received after the Treasurer's Report had been handed in to the Convention:

June 8, '57, To cash from St. James Church,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " Ascension Church,	-	-	-	8 00
" " " " St. Luke's Church,	-	-	-	7 00
" " " " St. Ann's Church,	-	-	-	80 00
" " " " St. Peter's Church,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " St. Paul's Church,	-	-	-	7 00
" " " " St. Thomas' Church,	-	-	-	21 00
" " " " Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	6 00
Total,	-	-	-	\$139 00

FOR THE CONVENTION FUND.

June 2, '57, To balance in Treasury,	-	-	-	\$48 56
" 3, To cash from Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	15 00
" " " " Immanuel Church,	-	-	-	10 00
" " " " St. James' Church, Stanton,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " Ascension Church,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " St. Luke's Church,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Phillip's Chapel, Laurel,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " St. George's Church, Indian River,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " St. Mark's Church, Millsboro,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " St. John's Church, Little Hill,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " St. Ann's, Middletown,	-	-	-	10 00
" " " " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	-	-	-	5 00
" " " " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,	-	-	-	10 00
" " " " Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	5 00
June 8, By cash paid the Sexton of St. Andrew's Church,			\$5 00	
" 10, " " Rev. M. A. D. Wolfe Howe,	-	-	9 00	
" " " " Rev. Asa S. Colton,	-	-	15 06	
" 18, " " Henry Eckel & Co.,	-	-	68 00	
Balance in Treasury,	-	-	-	41 50
Total,	-	-	-	\$188 56 \$188 56

JOHN B. LEWIS, Treasurer.

# FORM OF A PAROCHIAL REPORT.

REPORT OF

CHURCH.

Baptisms—Adult	,	Infant	,	Total,
Confirmed,				
Communicants,—				
		Number in last report,		
		Since removed,		
		Died,		
		Added,		
		Present number,		
Marriages,				
Funerals,				
Sunday School—Teachers, Male	,	Female	,	Total
Scholars,	“	“		“
Contributions—Missions,				
		Communion Alms,		
		Episcopal Fund,		
		Convention Fund,		
		Other purposes,		
		Total,		
Public Services—On Sundays,	,	other days	,	Total
				<i>Rector.</i>

## REMARKS.

**NOTE.**—Where the church is without a minister the parochial report should be made by the Wardens. Reports should be handed to the Bishop on or before the opening of the Convention.

All those upon whom devolves the duty of preparing the reports, are earnestly requested to fill up *all* the blanks in the above form.

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## NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, on the first Wednesday in June, 1858, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

**CONTRIBUTIONS, &c.,**

to the

**EPISCOPAL FUND,**

and the

**CONVENTION FUND,**

should be sent

To Mr. JOHN B. LEWIS, *Treasurer*, Wilmington

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To the

**MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE,**

To Dr. JAMES F. WILSON, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

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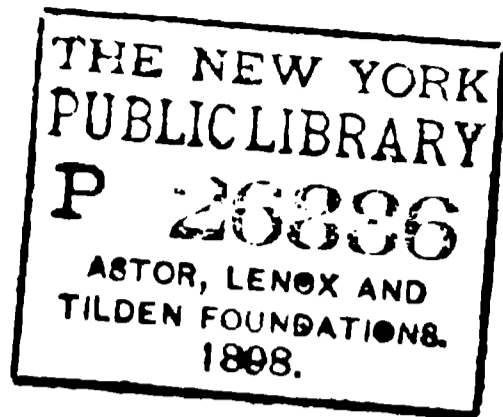
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**Fund for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen,**

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*Dr. M. H. Brock*

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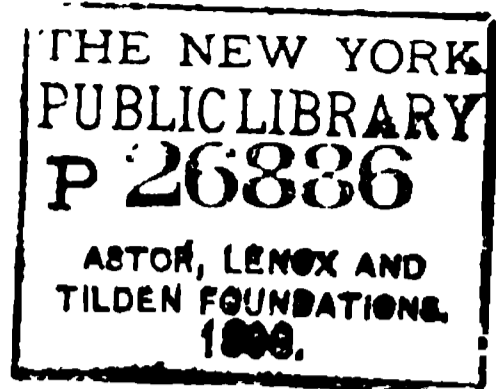
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# LIST

*Of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church Canonically  
Resident in the Diocese of Delaware, June 2d, 1858.*

- \*RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector  
of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
- \*REV. CHARLES BRECK, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington; and  
St. John's, Brandywine Village.
- \*REV. SAMUEL C. BRINCKLE, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana  
Hundred.
- REV. CORRY CHAMBERS, residing at Wilmington.
- \*REV. JOHN B. CLEMON, D. D., Rector of the Church of the As-  
cension, Claymont, Brandywine Hundred.
- \*REV. ASA S. COLTON, Missionary at the New Castle County Alms  
House.
- \*REV. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Rector of Immanuel Church, New  
Castle.
- REV. ROBERT L. GOLDSBOROUGH, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Mid-  
dletown.
- \*REV. W. H. D. HATTON, Rector of Christ Church, Delaware City.
- \*REV. WILLIAM MARSHALL, Deacon, Minister of St. James' Church,  
Stanton, and St. James', Newport.
- \*REV. THOMAS M. MARTIN, Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church,  
Lewes.
- \*REV. JOHN L. MCKIM, Rector of St. Paul's, Georgetown; and  
Christ Church, Milford.
- \*REV. WM. ALLIBONE NEWBOLD, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St.  
Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
- REV. DAVID MCILVAINE, Deacon, residing at Lewes.
- \*REV. STEVENS PARKER, Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Wil-  
mington; and St. John's, Brandywine Village.
- \*REV. SAMUEL R. SLACK, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford;  
Christ Church, Broad Creek; St. John's, Little Hill; and  
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred.
- \*REV. WILLIAM WRIGHT, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian  
River; St. Mark's, Millsboro; and Grace Church, Baltimore  
Mills.

[Total 17.]

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.*

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\*Denotes those entitled to seats in this Convention.

# LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

*Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.*

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New Castle,	Grace Ch., Brandywine Hd.,	Not represented.
	Ascension, " "	Thomas M'Kee Brown.
	Calvary, " "	Not represented.
	St. John's, " Village,	{ James V. Jefferis, J. Cloud Elliot.
	St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ Gregg Chandler, Jas. F. Wilson, M. D.
	Trinity, Wilmington,	{ H. H. J. Naff, Richard Brindley.
	Christ Ch., Christiana Hd.,	{ James Conly, Charles Green.
	St. James', Newport,	{ Thomas Kellam, John King.
	St. James', Stanton,	Not represented.
	Immanuel, New Castle,	{ Wm. T. Read, Alfred C. Nowland.
	St. Thomas', Newark,	{ Solomon M. Curtis, Benjamin Caulk.
	St. Ann's, Middletown,	{ Benjamin Gibbs, John C. Spear.
	Christ Ch., Delaware City,	Not represented.
	St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ George W. Cummins, Wm. Cummins, M. D.
Kent,	Christ Ch., Milford,	{ William Burton, M. D. Thomas Wallace.
	St. John the Baptist, Milton,	Not represented.
Sussex,	St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ John L. M'Kim, Jr., James M. Rensch.
	St. George's, Indian River,	{ Thomas Burton, John B. Burton.*
	St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ Henry F. Rodney, John Rodney.
	St. Mark's, Millsboro,	{ Benjamin Burton, Derrick Morris.*
	Grace, Baltimore Mills,	Not represented.
	St. John's, Little Hill,	Not represented.
	St. Luke's, Seaford,	{ Charles Wright, Hugh Martin, Jr., M. D.
	Christ Ch., Broad Creek,	{ A. Mauck, M. D., Col. Green.
	St. Mark's, Little Creek Hd.,	Not represented.

\*Absent.

# JOURNAL

OF THE

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA, June 2d, 1858.

This being the day appointed by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware, at its last Session, for the Annual Meeting of the same, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M., in St. Peter's Church, Smyrna. The Convention having been called to order by the Bishop, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Breck, Dr. J. F. Wilson was appointed Secretary, pro tem. The Secretary called the names of such of the Clergy as are entitled to seats in the Convention under the Constitution, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, viz:

The Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,

- “ Charles Breck,
- “ Samuel C. Brinckle,
- “ John B. Clemson, D. D.,
- “ Asa S. Colton,
- “ W. H. D. Hatton,
- “ Wm. Marshall,
- “ Thomas M. Martin,
- “ John L. McKim,
- “ Wm. A. Newbold,
- “ Stevens Parker,
- “ Samuel R. Slack,
- “ Wm. Wright.

The Rev. Charles Breck and Mr. Solomon M. Curtis, were appointed to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Breck, St. James' Church, Newport, was admitted into union with the Convention.

Of the Lay Delegates, reported as duly elected by the Committee, the following gentlemen answered to their names and took seats in the Convention :

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	Thomas M'Kee Brown.
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	James V. Jefferis.
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ Gregg Chandler,
	{ James F. Wilson, M. D.
Trinity, Wilmington,	{ H. H. J. Naff,
	{ Richard Brindley.
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	{ James Conly,
	{ Charles Green,
St. James', Newport,	{ Thomas Kellam,
	{ John King,
Immanuel, New Castle,	{ Wm. T. Read,
	{ Alfred C. Nowland.
St. Thomas,' Newark,	{ Solomon M. Curtis,
	{ Benjamin Caulk.
St. Ann's, Middletown,	John C. Spear.
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ George W. Cummins,
	{ William Cummins, M. D.
Christ Church, Milford,	{ William Burton, M. D.,
	{ Thomas Wallace.
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ John L. McKim, Jr.
	{ James M. Rench.
St. George's, Indian River,	Thomas Burton.
St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ Henry F. Rodney,
	{ John Rodney.
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	Benjamin Burton,
St. Luke's, Seaford,	{ Charles Wright,
	{ Hugh Martin, Jr., M. D.
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	{ A. Mauck, M. D.,
	{ Col. Green.

A constitutional quorum being present, the Convention, pursuant to the sixth Article of the Constitution, proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. Stevens Parker and Mr. Gregg Chandler, were appointed tellers, and upon counting the votes reported that Dr. J. F. Wilson had been duly elected.

Whereupon the chair declared Dr. J. F. Wilson to be Secretary of the Convention for the ensuing year.

The Rev. Mr. Breck offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

**Resolved**, That a Committee be appointed to draft resolutions expressive of our sense of the loss sustained by this Diocese, in the death of Alexis I. du Pont.

The Chair appointed as the Committee the Rev. Charles Breck, Rev. S. C. Brinckle and Wm. T. Read, Esq.

The Rev. Mr. Slack moved that a Committee of three be appointed to prepare resolutions expressive of the loss the Diocese has sustained, in the death of the Rev. Richard F. Cadle.

The Rev. S. R. Slack, Rev. J. L. McKim and Charles Wright, Esq., were appointed the Committee.

On motion of the Rev. S. Parker, it was

**Resolved**, That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to this Diocese, and Students of Theology, who are candidates for Holy Orders in this church, who may be present, be and they are hereby invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

The Rev. Robert L. Goldsborough of the Diocese of Delaware, Rev. George D. Cummins, D. D., and Rev. J. E. Grammar, of Washington City, D. C., Rev. Thomas F. Billopp, of the Diocese of New Jersey, and the Rev. Daniel Washburn of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, were present.

The Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session, and on request were read by the Secretary.

## RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the president takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the Chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

8. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

9. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

10. No motion shall be considered as before the house unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.

11. When any question is before the house it shall be determined on before any new thing is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

12. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

13. When the house is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

14. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

15. The charge or sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each clergyman, and ten copies to each vestry in the Diocese.

The Convention then took a recess for divine service.

The order for Daily Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Charles Breck, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington, as far as the Litany, and concluded by the Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Brandywine Hundred.

The congregation then united in singing the first four verses of the 99th Psalm, after which the Ante-Communion Service was read by the Bishop.

After the singing of 78th Hymn, the Sermon was delivered by the Rev. George D. Cummins, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, Washington, D. C.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Cummins.

The congregation having been dismissed, the Bishop resumed the chair, and called the house to order.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson moved that when the Convention adjourn, it adjourn until five o'clock this afternoon. The motion was amended by inserting the word three, in lieu of five, and passed.

The Convention then adjourned.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA, June 2, 1858, }  
3 o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The Bishop took the chair and called the house to order.

The minutes of the morning session were read by the Secretary. Mr. Alfred C. Nowland moved to amend, by striking out all that refers to the election of a Secretary pro tem. The motion to amend, was on motion of the Rev. S. C. Brinckle, laid on the table, and the minutes approved.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

## ADDRESS

*To the Clerical and Lay Members of the Sixty-eighth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.*

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

In the Providence of God we meet again in our Annual Convention. But we meet not as we parted. Some of our former associates, with whom we exchanged farewells a year ago, are not here to extend to us the hand of welcome. The voice that should have been heard at the opening of this body calling the roll of its members is mute, and we look in vain for the manly form of our late Secretary. In the mysterious Providence of Almighty God, Alexis I. Du Pont was suddenly snatched away from the bosom of his family and from the church militant here upon earth. In the full vigor of health, in the prime of life, in the flow of energy, in the height of usefulness, his place is left vacant. We cannot but deeply lament our loss, for men like him are rare. Much had we

reason to anticipate from that course of Christian activity upon which he had entered with so much heart and devotedness. But we bow with submission before Him whose ways are past finding out. We bless God for the good example of His departed servant, for the consecrated energy of his life, for the peace and hope of his departure, and we desire to repose our whole trust in Him who is dependant on no earthly instruments.

From our Clerical ranks we miss the beloved and venerated Cadle. Of his unfeigned piety and unobtrusive excellence all who knew him are witnesses. Without using the language of exaggerated eulogy I may safely say of him, "He was a good man and full of faith and of the Holy Ghost." He was an earnest minister of Christ, a pioneer Missionary "in labors more abundant," "in all things shewing himself a pattern of good works, in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, sound speech that could not be condemned." The illness of our deceased brother was brief, and was probably brought on by exposure in the performance of his duties. On my fall visitation, although suffering from an attack of disease, he began to accompany me, and the day before he was seized with his final sickness, he led me to the little church which he had recently founded and which will stand as his memorial pillar. May it remind those to whom he had spoken the word of God, of the holy lessons delivered by his lips and enforced by his life, so that they may be able after his decease to have these things always in remembrance.

We have also paid the last office of respect and affection to another revered brother in the ministry, who, although not on our list of Clergy, by his recent sojourning in the Diocese and his ending his days among us, seemed as one of ourselves. The venerable Dr. Judd was, at the time of his decease, the Senior Presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. For sixty years he had been engaged in the duties of his sacred office, and at four-score there was no flagging of his zeal and devotion. He had labored in different parts of our Union, in the Northern, the Middle and the Southern States; had founded numerous parishes, had presided over institutions of learning, and was held in reputation as a scholar, a theologian and a preacher of the gospel. Such representatives of a former age are precious. We would gladly retain them, that we might profit by

their rich experience and their ripened wisdom. But our venerable father had passed the usual limit of life, although permitted to retain in a remarkable degree his faculties of body and mind. Having served God and his generation, he has fallen asleep in Jesus, leaving to his family and friends the memory of an unspotted life, and to his brethren in the ministry an example of diligence, zeal, patient continuance in well doing, and earnest maintenance of the faith once delivered to the saints. May we have grace to follow our departed brethren as they followed Christ.

The usual visitations have been made of the Churches and Missionary stations of the Diocese. On these occasions, I have officiated by preaching, in Ascension Church, Claymont, twice; Trinity Church, Wilmington, once, and Trinity Chapel, three times; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, four times; Immanuel Church, New Castle, three times; St. James, Newport, twice; St. James, Stanton, once; St. Thomas', Newark, four times, and in Mill Creek Hundred, once; Christ Church, Delaware City, three times; St Anne's, Middletown, twice; at Smyrna, (in the Presbyterian Church of which the use was kindly offered), twice; in Christ Church, Dover, once; Christ Church Milford, twice; Milton, twice; St. Paul's, Georgetown, three times; St. Peter's, Lewes, five times; St. George's, Indian River, twice; Long Neck Chapel, once; St. Mark's, Millsborough, twice; St. John's, Little Hill, twice; St. Luke's, Seaford, three times; Christ Church, Broad Creek, twice; St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel, twice; in all (exclusive of St Andrew's Church, Wilmington, and the City Mission sustained by St. Andrew's,) fifty-six times.

#### ORDINATIONS.

On the 12th of July, 1857, Mr. Thomas Mills Martin was ordained Deacon, in St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

On the 26th day of July, 1857, the Rev. Wm. H. D. Hatton was ordained Presbyter in Christ Church, Delaware City.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

Ascension Church, Claymont,	-	-	-	-	6
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	-	30
Trinity Church, " "	-	-	-	-	8
" Chapel, " "	-	-	-	-	11
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	-	24

Immanuel Church, New Castle (one in private)	-	-	-	-	15
St. Thomas' "	Newark,	-	-	-	1
Christ "	Delaware City,	-	-	-	5
St. Ann's "	Middletown,	-	-	-	11
St. Peter's "	Lewes,	-	-	-	14
St. Paul's "	Georgetown,	-	-	-	1
St. Luke's "	Seaford,	-	-	-	1
St. Mark's "	Little Creek Hundred,	-	-	-	1
Milton,	-	-	-	-	1

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## CLERICAL CHANGES.

## ADDED.

The Rev. Robert L. Goldsborough from the Diocese of Maryland; letter accepted March 3d, 1858. The Rev. Thomas M. Martin, by ordination.

## DISMISSED.

The Rev. Thomas F. Billopp to the Diocese of New Jersey, letter accepted by Bishop Doane, December 11th, 1857.

The Rev. George Sheets to the Diocese of Missouri, letter dated March 18th, 1858. Notice of acceptance has not yet reached me.

The Rev. R. F. Cadle removed by death.

The Rev. T. F. Billopp resigned, in October last, the Rectorship of St. Ann's Church, Middletown, and has removed from this Diocese, in which he has left behind him many warmly attached friends. He has been succeeded at St. Ann's by the Rev. R. L. Goldsborough who entered upon his duties in February last.

The Rev. Samuel R. Slack resigned, in November, the Rectorship of St. Thomas' Church, Newark, but has been generally supplying the pulpit of that Parish during the winter. Mr. Slack has recently accepted an invitation from the Churches made vacant by the decease of Rev. Mr. Cadle, and is now Rector of St. Luke's, Seaford; Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred. It has been gratifying that Mr. Slack's services are not lost to the Diocese, and his labors will, I trust, be prospered in the wide and interesting field upon which he has now entered. St. John's Church, Little Hill, is also added to Mr. Slack's charge, having been recently re-

signed by the Rev. Wm. Wright, its distance from Mr. Wright's other Churches rendering it very inconvenient for him to officiate there.

The Rev. George Sheets has resigned the charge of St. James', Stanton. He has been succeeded by the Rev. William Marshall, who is also officiating regularly at St. James', Newport. Both of these Churches have been refitted, and the worship of the Sanctuary made more attractive. The interior of the Church at Stanton in particular is very greatly improved, and the congregations in both Churches appear to be increasing. At Newport a Parish has been organized, or rather the old Parish of St. James, to which still pertains a small piece of land, has been revived. Persons residing in the vicinity are now taking a warm interest in the welfare of this little church, and I cannot but trust it will be prospered and made a blessing.

The Rev. Thomas M. Martin has accepted a call from St. Peter's Church, Lewes, resigned by the Rev. J. L. McKim. Mr. Martin entered upon his duties at St. Peter's in October last, and has since been laboring there with zeal and energy, and with much encouragement. The new St. Peter's Church, has been occupied by the congregation for divine service since last November, and in chaste and simple beauty and convenient arrangement is all that they could desire. The increased attendance, and the number who came forward to receive the laying on of hands, rendered my last visitation one of much interest and gratification. The pastor being still in Deacon's orders I administered the Holy Communion, to which sacred rite a good number of new communicants, including nearly all who had been confirmed on the previous day, were received. The old Church edifice has been very appropriately fitted up for use of schools and week-day services. It is thus preserved to the Parish, and, apart from the interesting associations connected with it, which make its preservation desirable, is exceedingly convenient and useful. The members and friends of this ancient Parish may well be congratulated upon its present prosperous condition.

The work upon the large and substantial Church commenced for St. John's Parish, Brandywine Village, the corner stone of which was laid at our last Convention, has not been interrupted by the lamented decease of the gentleman who was the principal contributor towards it.

Through the liberality of his widow and family the enterprise has been carried forward on the original plan, and the building is now rapidly approaching its completion.

An interesting service was held in old Trinity Church, Wilmington, on the 18th of April last, when the rite of Confirmation was administered for the first time in forty years. On this occasion an estimable lady was present who had received the laying on of hands from Bishop White in the same place in 1793, and another who had been confirmed there by Bishop Claggett in 1803.

Christ Church, Delaware City, having been put in good repair, and the remaining indebtedness thereon having been generously released, it was consecrated on Sunday, the 12th of December, 1857.

The labors of the Rev. W. H. D. Hatton (advanced to the rank of Presbyterian) have been continued with his usual diligence and zeal. The small number of families attached to the Church renders it difficult to secure an adequate support to a Pastor, and it is not so situated as to admit of being very conveniently connected with another Parish. Yet the result of past efforts should certainly encourage the members and friends of the Church there. A very neat and spacious Church edifice has been built, and is now free from debt; a good Sunday School has been gathered, an encouraging number of additions has been made to the Communion, and a foundation laid for future growth and usefulness. Under these favoring circumstances it is hoped that the congregation will not despond or relax their efforts, but will continue and redouble them.

The Parish of St. Peter's, Smyrna, has been without a Pastor since the last Convention, but was supplied with services for a considerable part of the time by the Rev. A. S. Colton. The old and contracted church has been succeeded by the present greatly enlarged and improved edifice, in which the Convention is now holding its session. The members of this congregation will have the hearty sympathy of their brethren throughout the Diocese in this decided and commendable improvement. May the new sanctuary be occupied by an earnest Pastor and a full and interested congregation, and the work of building up the spiritual house go on with energy and with the blessing of God.

On Friday, May 28th, I consecrated to the worship of Almighty

God the little church to which allusion has been made in my notice of the lamented Mr. Cadle. St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred, is a simple and unpretending edifice, but convenient and comfortable. It is situated in a neighborhood where the want of an Episcopal Church has been felt, and bids fair to secure a good congregation. Hallowed by memories of the sainted dead, and founded in prayer and faith, may we not confidently trust that a blessing will rest upon its worshippers, and that it will prove to many none other than the house of God and the gate of Heaven.

I am not able to report either St. Thomas' Church, Newark, or St. Peter's, Smyrna, as being yet supplied with settled pastors, but am happy to be informed that the want in each case will probably be soon and acceptably supplied.

The only candidate for orders now connected with the Diocese is Mr. Thomas G. Clemson, from May 11th, 1856.

The Review of the year presents one Ordination of Deacon and one of Presbyter, two churches consecrated, three others approaching completion or quite complete although not yet consecrated, and one hundred and twenty-nine persons confirmed. This number exceeds that of any former year of my connexion with the diocese. May we receive it as an indication that we are not wholly shut out from that blessing of the Almighty which seems to have been poured out of late so abundantly and powerfully.

In the Diocese of Pennsylvania, at the request of Bishop Potter, I administered Confirmation at Chester to thirty persons.

On my visitations I have several times administered the Lord's Supper, have baptized two infants and officiated at two funerals.

The year that has elapsed since our last meeting has been an eventful one in the world's calendar. It will be ever memorable for that portentous outbreak in the East of Mahomedan and Heathen ferocity, startling civilized nations by atrocities that make the ears of the hearer to tingle. Thus has God permitted an unchristian policy, which has always thwarted and discouraged the missionary of the cross, to bring down a fearful punishment. A mighty testimony has been gained for the gospel as the only effectual civilizer of the barbarous, the true bulwark of social order, security and peace, and a

**new impulse has been already given to efforts to evangelize those benighted and neglected millions.**

**Over our own country has swept a rushing wave of commercial embarrassment, whelming beneath it the sanguine hopes and imagined wealth of thousands of Mammon's eager worshippers, and mightily enforcing the divine lessons of the uncertainty of riches and the sure disappointments of covetousness. This financial revulsion has been succeeded by a widely extended and remarkable interest upon the subject of religion. Eternal salvation became suddenly the absorbing theme. Men left their places of business, in the most active hours of the day, to unite in prayer and in hearing the word of God. Can we ascribe this very extensive and profound movement to any other agent than the Spirit of God! It has been to a great degree free from fanatical excitement, enthusiastic delusion and sectarian strife. It has been quiet, earnest, affectionate, and marvellously propagated. We may trace indeed a connexion with certain antecedents, with the business revulsion for instance. But it is not in the heart of man, unguided from above, to turn earthly calamities to spiritual profit. We may account for the rapid diffusion of awakened feeling by the free intercommunication of our people, by railroads, electric wires and steam-power presses. But this does not explain the novel fact that these agencies should be subservient to the spread of religious emotion and interest in the things which accompany salvation. To my apprehension there has not been brought before the minds of Christian men for more than one generation a subject so entitled to their earnest, reverent consideration. The great point for them to settle, to their own satisfaction and with a deep sense of accountability, is, shall this work be ascribed to God? If so, it should enlist our warm sympathy and co-operation. To discountenance and ignore it cannot in such an event but be most prejudicial to ourselves. In many of our congregations throughout the land this movement has been most powerfully and beneficially felt. Unexampled ingatherings into the fold of Christ have rejoiced the hearts of laborious pastors, and the net of the fishers of men has been almost broken by reason of the multitude it contained. May God give to His people, and especially to His ministers, in times so remarkable, the wisdom that is from above; "the spirit of love and of power and of a sound mind," and may they**

who are appointed to teach others be themselves fully taught "what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

Your affectionate friend and pastor,

ALFRED LEE.

Mr. J. Cloud Elliot, a Lay Delegate from St. John's Church, Brandywine Village, and Mr. Benjamin Gibbs a Lay Delegate from St. Ann's Church, Middletown, appeared and took their seats in the Convention.

Wm. T. Read, Esq., Secretary of the Standing Committee, read an abstract of the proceedings of the Committee during the past year, as follows:

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware respectfully report to the Convention of the aforesaid Diocese an abstract of their proceedings during the past year.

The Committee met the 4th day of June, 1857, was duly organized by the choice of the Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., as President, and William T. Read, as Secretary; recommended the Rev. W. H. D. Hatton to be admitted to the sacred order of Priests, and gave their consent, in writing, that he should be ordained Priest within one year from the time he was ordained Deacon.

July 18th, 1857, they recommended the Rev. William Allibone Newbold to be admitted a candidate for the sacred order of Priests, and signed a testimonial in his behalf, to take effect from the 12th day of April, 1857.

July 18th, 1857, they recommended the Rev. Thomas Mills Martin to be admitted a candidate for the holy Order of the Priesthood, and signed a testimonial in his favor, to take effect from the 12th of April, 1857.

May 17th, 1858, a testimonial of the meetness of the Rev. Sullivan H. Weston, for the office of a Bishop in the Church of God, certified by the President and Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Texas, was laid before the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware, but not being accompanied with evidence of the election of the said Sullivan H. Weston to the Episcopate of Texas, the Committee resolved not to proceed in this matter at that time, and

ordered a copy of this Resolution to be sent to the Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Texas.

June 2d 1858—The Journal of the Convention of the Diocese of Texas, held at Houston, on the 16th day of April, 1858, showing the election of the said Sullivan H. Weston to the Episcopate of Texas, was laid before the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware, who (the canonical requirements in the case being satisfied) approved of his election, and consented to his consecration to the Episcopate, and signed a testimonial of his meetness for the office of a Bishop.

WILLIAM T. READ,

*Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware.*

June 2d 1858.

The Rev. J. L. McKim offered the following resolution which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That it be referred to a committee to inquire into the expediency of so altering the third Article of the Constitution, as to render a residence of "at least six months" necessary for the admission of every clergyman to a seat in this Convention.

The chair appointed as the committee the Rev. J. L. McKim, Rev. S. R. Slack, and Mr. Henry F. Rodney.

Wm. T. Read, Esq. proposed the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

*Resolved*, That this Convention has received with profound sorrow, intelligence of the death of the Right Rev. George W. Freeman D. D., Missionary Bishop for the South West, at Little Rock, Arkansas, on the 29th of April last.

*Resolved*, That by this dispensation of Divine Providence, to which we bow submissively, the Church has lost one of her brightest ornaments, a chief Pastor eminently qualified for the exalted and responsible station, to which the Church called him with remarkable unanimity, and who discharged its duties with diligence, ability, uprightness and zeal, directed by sound judgment, and animated by ardent love of God and man.

*Resolved*, That this Convention condoles with the Church and the family of Bishop Freeman in this great bereavement, but is consoled by the trust that this faithful soldier and servant of Jesus Christ has fought a good fight, has kept the faith, has finished his course with joy, and entered into rest, with enjoyment of the promise, that "they who turn many to righteousness shall shine, like the stars, forever."

On motion of Mr. Henry F. Rodney, it was

*Resolved*, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be sent to the Rev. Andrew F. Freeman, of Arkansas.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee for the ensuing year. The President appointed as tellers on the part of the clergy the Rev. Samuel R. Slack and the Rev. William A. Newbold; and on the part of the Laity, Mr. H. H. J. Naff and William Cummins, M. D.

The Secretary read the following communication from M. A. De Wolfe Howe, D. D., Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, which on motion was directed to be inserted in the Journal of the Convention.

*Philadelphia, April 30th, 1858.*

RIGHT REV. AND DEAR SIR,

It is made my duty by the 50th Canon of 1832, to give you, as "the Ecclesiastical Authority in the Diocese" of Delaware, "particular notice," that the following Amendments of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church were "proposed," at the General Convention of the same, held in the City of Philadelphia, in October of 1856. To wit:—instead of "Article III," as now in force, the following,

#### ARTICLE III.

Whenever General Conventions are held, the Bishops of this Church shall form a separate House, with the right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, and all acts must pass both Houses.

And instead of "Article VI" the following,

#### ARTICLE VI.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese, but the General Convention may establish a Court of Appeals for the revision of the decision of Diocesan Courts. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the

**Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon. Such Court of Appeals not to revise the determination of any question of fact.**

I remain, Right Rev. and Dear Sir,

Very Respectfully, your Obed't Servant,

M. A. D. WOLFE HOWE,

*Secretary of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.*

The Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware.

On motion of the Rev. J. B. Clemson, D. D., it was

*Resolved, That the next Annual Convention be held in St. Luke's Church, Seaford, on the first Wednesday in June, 1859.*

On the first ballot for members of the Standing Committee, the two Orders concurred in electing the Rev. J. B. Clemson, D. D., and the Rev. Charles Breck of the clergy; Solomon M. Curtis and Wm. T. Read of the Laity.

The Convention proceeded to another ballot for one clerical member of the Standing Committee.

Mr. John B. Lewis, Treasurer of the Convention presented his account.

On motion of Mr. Gregg Chandler, the Treasurer's account was referred to a committee for examination.

The chair appointed Mr. George W. Cummins and William Burton, M. D.

On the second ballot for one clerical member of the Standing Committee there was no choice.

On the third ballot there was no choice.

The committee appointed to inquire into the expediency of amending Article III of the Constitution, presented the following report, which was accepted and the resolution adopted.

The committee appointed to inquire into the expediency of amending Article III of the Constitution, respectfully report:

That upon examination of the subject, they have come to the conclusion, that the original intention of said article was not to discriminate between "parochial" clergymen and those called "missionaries"

under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese ; but to require of all of them a residence of at least six months, to qualify them for a seat in Convention. This qualification, the committee consider, would be distinctly expressed by striking out the word *parochial* in the second section of Article III, which is a term more commonly used to distinguish rectors and pastors from missionaries.

The committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the second paragraph of Article III of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word *parochial*, so as to read: Provided, that all such clergymen shall have been actually and personally resident, within this State, for not less than six calendar months, next before the meeting of the Convention, and that all such clergymen, engaged in the work of instruction only, and Chaplains shall have been actually and personally resident in this State, not less than twelve calendar months, next before such meeting.

The Rev. J. B. Clemson, D. D., moved that the resolution to meet in St. Luke's Church, Seaford, be reconsidered. After some discussion the motion to reconsider was lost.

On the fourth ballot for one clerical member of the Standing Committee, there was no choice.

On motion of the Rev. Stevens Parker the election of the Standing Committee was postponed until the next Convention.

On motion of the Rev. William Wright, the election of Deputies to the General Convention was postponed.

On motion of the Rev. Stevens Parker, the election of the Missionary and Education Committee, and also the Relief Committee for the Assistance of Infirm and Disabled Clergymen, was postponed.

On motion of the Rev. C. Breck, the Rev. Stevens Parker was elected Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

On motion of the Rev. J. L. McKim, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to consider and report to the next Convention a scheme for dividing and designating by metes and bounds all the parishes in this Diocese.

The chair appointed the Rev. J. L. McKim, the Rev. William Wright and Mr. Solomon M. Curtis.

The bill of Henry Eckel & Co., for printing the Journal of 1857 and Bishop Lee's Fourth Triennial Charge, was allowed and ordered to be paid.

The Rev. Charles Breck, on behalf of the committee appointed under his resolution passed this morning, presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted, and the Secretary instructed to forward a copy of the same to the family of the deceased.

WHEREAS in the Providence of Almighty God, Alexis I. du Pont, late Secretary of the Convention of this Diocese, has been removed from his earthly labors:

*Resolved*, That while we feel his loss to be irreparable, we bow with submissive minds to this dispensation.

*Resolved*, That in him, we recognize the liberal founder of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, and of St. John's, Brandywine Village. These are noble structures, of large size, great beauty, and calculated to last for ages.

*Resolved*, That his liberal donations to the Church, made in a spirit of religious duty, even to the day of his death, are well suited to impress upon the hearts and minds of the wealthy, a desire to follow so pious and holy an example.

*Resolved*, That we tender to his bereaved family and friends the fullest expression of our sympathy, and invoke upon his afflicted widow and children the richest blessings of Heaven.

*Resolved*, That in his triumphant Christian death, we do but witness the fruit of a most devoted Christian life.

CHARLES BRECK,  
S. C. BRINCKLE,  
WILLIAM T. READ.

The Bishop then read the 16th Annual Report of the Missionary and Education Committee as follows:

#### SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Our Treasurer's Report shows the receipts of the past year to be as follows: from

*St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.*

For Domestic Missions, general,	- . -	15 50
" Foreign                   "                   "	- - -	45 50

For Diocesan Missions, general,	-	-	-	14	71
From Sunday School for Cape Palmas	}	-	-	75	00
Female Orphan Asylum,		-	-		
S. School for St. Mark's, Little Creek,	-	-	-	21	59
				<u>172</u>	30

*Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.*

For Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	26	45
Foreign, Africa,	26	69	}	68	26
Rev. Mr. Syle's School, China,	12	35			
General,	29	22			
Diocesan,	-	-	-	21	01
				<u>115</u>	72

*Trinity Church, Wilmington.*

Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	14	89
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*Immanuel Church, New Castle.*

Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	25	67
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*St. Thomas' Church, Newark.*

Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	12	93
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*St. George's, Indian River.*

Foreign,	-	-	-	-	2	75
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*St. James' Church, Staunton.*

Domestic,	-	-	-	-	1	75
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*St. James' Church, Newport.*

Domestic,	-	-	-	-	2	25
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*St. Peter's Church, Lewes.*

Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	2	50
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*St. Mark's Church, Millsboro.*

Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	1	14
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Balance on hand,	-	-	-	-	4	62
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Of this amount according to direction of donors there has been transmitted to the

Foreign Committee,	-	-	-	191	51
Domestic Committee,	-	-	-	15	50
Missionary Association for the West,	-	-	-	26	45

WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

To Rev. A. S. Colton,	-	-	-	50	00
“ W. H. D. Hatton,	-	-	-	40	00

St. Mark's Church, Little Creek Hundred,	-	31	59
Balance,	-	1	47
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The contributions handed to your Committee, the Convention will observe, fall considerably below the amount of some previous years. Several parishes have, it is presumed, forwarded their usual assistance to the General Committees of the Church, and to other objects without the Diocese. There has also been activity and liberality on the part of parishes and individuals, not flowing through any organized channel, but directly extended to the Church or Missionary assisted. This may be often the most effective mode, and it is desirable that they who are "ready to give and glad to distribute" should have the freest scope for the exercise of their charity. The committee would however present to parishes the duty which is expressly enjoined by Canon, of remembering their peculiar claims. It would seem that, without interfering with other opportunities of doing good, the wants of the Diocese should be more constantly and liberally responded to. With a view of awakening a deeper interest in our own waste places, and to shew what had been accomplished by past efforts, our last Report presented a rather full sketch and history of our Diocesan Missionary field. It is the trust of the Committee that other causes, besides indifference to the subject, have prevented such a response as they could have desired, and as would have enabled them to strengthen more fully the hands that hang down. Asking of ministers and members of the Church a candid and conscientious consideration of their duty in this matter, your Committee respectfully submit the foregoing statement.

ALFRED LEE,  
S. C. BRINCKLE,  
JAMES F. WILSON.

The Rev. B. Franklin was prevented by an afflictive Providence from attending the Convention and concurring in the Report.

#### Additional contributions to Missions:

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Diocesan.</i>	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>	<i>Other Miss'y purposes.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Ascension, Brandywine Hd.,		10,29	12,12	41,06	63,47
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	106,05			14,87	120,92
Trinity, Wilmington,	95,00	194,45	20,00		309,45

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Diocesan.</i>	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>	<i>Other Miss'y purposes.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Christ Ch., Christiana Hd.,	88,56		20,00		58,56
Immanuel, New Castle,		174,85	71,90		246,75
St. Thomas', Newark,			46,12		46,12
Christ Ch., Delaware City,		2,00			2,00
Christ Ch., Milford,		8,72			8,72
St. Paul's, Georgetown,		6,28			6,28
St. Peter's Lewes,		18,58	18,58		27,06
St. George's, Indian River,		6,54	3,68		10,22
St. Mark's, Millsboro,		8,46	1,80		5,26
Grace, Baltimore Mills,		2,45			2,45
St. John's, Little Hill,		1,94	1,00		2,94
St. Luke's, Seaford,					1,25
Christ Church, Broad Creek,					2,00
St. Mark's, Little Creek,					75
	<hr/> 234,61	<hr/> 410,51	<hr/> 190,15	<hr/> 54,98	<hr/> 908,20

The Rev. S. R. Slack, on behalf of the committee appointed to prepare resolutions, expressive of the loss of the Diocese in the death of the late Rev. Richard F. Cadle, presented the following, which was unanimously adopted, and the Secretary directed to send a copy to the relatives of the deceased.

**WHEREAS**, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from his earthly labors to his heavenly reward the Rev. Richard F. Cadle, for five years a faithful Presbyter of this Diocese:

**Resolved**, by this Convention, that we cherish the memory of our venerable departed brother, of his holy walk and abundant labors, and would mingle our sympathies with those of his surviving relatives and his bereaved parishioners, and hopefully look upward and prayerfully ask for grace to follow his devoted example.

On motion of the Rev. William Wright, the Committee on the glebe of Christ Church, Dover, was continued.

The Committee to audit the Treasurer's account, reported it correct.

The Committee on the glebe of Christ Church, Dover, presented the following Report, which was accepted.

The Committee on the Glebe of Christ Church, Dover, respectfully submit the following report:

A visit was lately made to the property ; fencing in ordinary repair; the small house, only one on the premises, dilapidated and tenantless, and the land evidently much reduced, quite inadequate for profit in its tillage. We found the property used as pasture ground, no part of it being tilled. Mr. Geo. B. Dickson, of Dover, has the Glebe still under rent at seventy-five dollars per annum. The rent for 1856 was collected and paid to the Rev. S. T. Carpenter, who officiated in the church at Dover, about every other Sunday, in pleasant weather. The rent for 1857 has not yet been collected, but five dollars thereof were advanced towards making a new fence around the church.

The committee on the State of the church and of the Glebe, have no suggestions to make differing from former views.

EDWARD WOOTTEN,  
WILLIAM T. READ,  
GEORGE W. CUMMINS.

June, 1858.

On motion of Mr. Henry F. Rodney, the Committee on the glebe of Christ Church, Dover, were authorized to lease the glebe for a term of years not exceeding twenty.

The Convention then adjourned to re-assemble at the close of the Missionary meeting this evening.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, June 2d, 1858, }  
8 o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention assembled to attend the Missionary Meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Bishop, and by singing part of the 102nd Hymn.

Addresses were delivered by the Rev. A. S. Colton, the Rev. Daniel Washburn of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and the Rev. Geo. D. Cummins of Washington, D. C. A collection was then made. After singing the 107th Hymn the congregation was dismissed by the Bishop with the benediction.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA, June 2d, 1858. }  
 9½ o'clock, P. M. }

After the congregation was dismissed, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

On motion of Mr. Gregg Chandler it was

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer pay to the Sexton of St. Peter's Church, the usual compensation allowed for his attendance during the session of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Thomas M. Martin, it was

*Resolved*, That the Secretary append to the report of the Missionary Committee the additional sums contributed by the Parishes to Foreign and Domestic Missions, which are not embraced in the report of the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Gregg Chandler, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Wardens and Vestry of St. Peter's Church, for the use of their Church, and to the citizens of Smyrna and its vicinity, for their kindness and hospitality to the members thereof.

On motion of the Rev. Stevens Parker, it was

*Resolved*, That the annual assessment on the different parishes for the Convention Fund be paid in advance.

On motion it was

*Resolved*, That after the reading of the Minutes, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Secretary then read the minutes, which were approved.

The Bishop made a brief address to the members, and pronounced the benediction, after which the Convention adjourned.

Attest,

JAMES F. WILSON, SECRETARY.

## LIST OF MISSING JOURNALS.

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Massachusetts, 1857.	
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Wisconsin, 1848.	
Oregon & Washington Territory, report of first Convention.	
The Secretary of the Convention of each Diocese is respectfully requested to forward the required numbers on receipt of this Journal.	

## DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

The Right Rev. ALFRED LEE, D. D. Bishop, and President of  
Convention. Residence, Wilmington.

### Standing Committee.

Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., *Chairman.*

“ Charles Breck,

“ Samuel R. Slack,

Solomon M. Curtis, Esq.,

William T. Read, Esq., *Secretary.*

### Deputies to the General Convention.

Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D.,

“ Samuel C. Brinckle,

“ Benjamin Franklin,

James F. Burton, Esq.,

Solomon M. Curtis, Esq.,

Capt. S. F. du Pont.

### Missionary and Education Committee.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman.*

Rev. Benjamin Franklin,

“ Samuel C. Brinckle,

James F. Wilson, M. D., *Treasurer.*

George D. Armstrong.

### Relief Committee for the Assistance of Infirm and Disabled Clergymen.

Rev. Charles Breck.

Samuel Baily, Esq.,

John B. Lewis, Esq., *Treasurer.*

### Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

Hon. Caleb S. Layton,

William T. Read, Esq.,

Hon. Edward Wootten,

Clement Reeves, Esq.,

**Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.**

Rev. Stevens Parker,

Edward G. Bradford, Esq.

**Committee on Glebe of Christ Church.**

George W. Cummins, Esq.,

William T. Read, Esq.,

Hon. Edward Wootten.

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*Treasurer of Convention*—JOHN B. LEWIS, Esq., Wilmington.

*Secretary of Convention*—JAMES F. WILSON, M. D., Wilmington.

# APPENDIX.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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**CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CLAYMONT, BRANDYWINE HUNDRED,  
NEW CASTLE COUNTY.**

This Church is gradually attaining size and strength. Its summer congregations are particularly large. It has a well conducted and flourishing Sunday School, which already has yielded fruits of piety. The services are assisted by an admirable Choir. With the growth of the neighborhood there is the promise of an increasing Parish.

Baptisms—Adults,	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ Chidren,	-	-	-	-	-	11
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	6
Communicants—Removed,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	8
“ Whole number,	-	-	-	-	-	25
Marriage, -	-	-	-	-	-	1
Collections—Missions, Foreign,	-	-	-	-	-	\$12 12
“ “ Domestic,	-	-	-	-	-	10 29
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
“ Episcopal “	-	-	-	-	-	12 50
“ Alms,	-	-	-	-	-	14 43
“ Colonization in Africa,	-	-	-	-	-	7 50
“ Seamen’s Chapel,	-	-	-	-	-	4 70
“ For Sunday School,	-	-	-	-	-	28 44
“ From Sunday School for Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	36 86
“ Other purposes,	-	-	-	-	-	26 00
Whole amount,						<hr/> \$148 24
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	8
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	60

**JOHN B. CLEMSON, Rector.**

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRANDYWINE VILLAGE.**

Sunday School Teachers, -	-	-	-	16
"    Scholars, -	-	-	-	130
Public Services on Sundays, -	-	-	-	72
"    other days, -	-	-	-	165
Total Services, -	-	-	-	237

The Treasurer's report exhibits the following account:

Real Estate, -	-	-	-	\$ 995 13
Erection of Church, -	-	-	-	11 186 75
Parish School, -	-	-	-	175 74
Prayer Books and Sunday School Books, -	-	-	-	20 00
Joseph Shipley Esq.,—poor of the Parish, -	-	-	-	100 00
Current Expenses, -	-	-	-	67 75
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				\$12 545 37

During the past six months the Rev. Stevens Parker has had almost the entire charge of this Parish.

The wishes of the late Alexis I. du Pont, respecting the completion of the Church, have been carried out with great liberality by his widow. In a few months we hope to see it consecrated.

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

**ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.**

Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, Rector. Rev. Wm. Allibone Newbold, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infants 24, Adults 11. Total, -	-	-	-	35
Confirmed, -	-	-	-	30
Communicants, number last reported, -	-	-	-	221
"    Removed, -	-	-	-	17
"    Deceased, -	-	-	-	3
"    Withdrawn, -	-	-	-	2
"    Added from abroad 6, new 29, -	-	-	-	35
"    Present number, -	-	-	-	234
Marriages, -	-	-	-	5
Funerals, -	-	-	-	16

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

No. 1, White—Teachers, Male 15, Female 30,	-	-	45
“ “ Scholars, “ 171, “ 262,	-	-	433
No. 2, Front St. Mission,			
White—Teachers, Male 12, Female 12,	-	-	24
“ Scholars “ 65, “ 78,	-	-	143
No. 3, Robert Smith (colored) School,			
Teachers—Male 5, Female 19,	-	-	24
Scholars— “ 101, “ 130,	-	-	231
Schools 3—Teachers, “ 32, “ 61,	-	-	93
Scholars, “ 337, “ 470,	-	-	807
Bible Classes, about	-	-	60
Contributions—Missions, Foreign, General,	\$15	50	
Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum, from S. School,	75	00—120	50
Domestic, General,	-	-	15 50
Diocesan,	-	-	14 70
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	40 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred, from Sunday School,		21 85—	76 56
Front Street Mission,	-	-	36 99
do from Sunday School,	-	-	29 06— 66 05
Other S. School Contributions,	-	-	14 87
			<hr/> \$293 48
Relief Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	-	46	18
Communion Alms,	-	97	66
Dorcas Society,	-	75	00—218 84
Evangelical Knowledge Society,	-		44 42
Episcopate \$110.50, Convention \$15,	-		125 50
Payment in part of subscription for balance } due on Church enlargement,			1700 00
(Current expenses not included,)			<hr/> \$2382 24

Services in the church, twice on Sunday, on Friday evenings, on Wednesdays through Lent, on the principal Holy Days, and also frequently during the last winter and spring. At Front Street Room on Sunday, P. M.

A highly encouraging religious interest has been manifested, and a

good number it is trusted have entered with sincerity and decision upon the Christian life. The readiness of many of his people to co-operate in works of charity and the activity and zeal displayed have greatly cheered the pastor's heart. Early in the summer a Sunday School was commenced in a room at the corner of Front and Jefferson streets, and has since been continued with much encouragement. On the afternoon of each Lord's day divine service is held in the same place by the Rector or his assistant. The congregations have been usually large and have shewn much interest in the services, and we have reason to believe that the word preached has been, to some who previously attended no place of worship, a savor of life unto life.

ALFRED LEE.

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TRINITY CHURCH AND CHAPEL, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Adults, 8 ; Infants, 88.	Total,	-	-	96
Confirmed,	-	-	-	19
Communicants—Died,	-	-	-	7
“ Removed,	-	-	-	15
“ Added,	-	-	-	46
“ Present number,	-	-	-	189
Marriages,	-	-	-	13
Burials,	-	-	-	38
Sunday Schools,	-	-	-	2
Old Swedes or Trinity Church—Teachers,	-	-	-	10
	Scholars,	-	-	132
Trinity Chapel,	-	-	Teachers,	18
		-	Scholars,	250
Teachers, total,	-	-	-	28
Scholars, “	-	-	-	382
Children catechised in the schools by the Ministers.	Times,	-	-	150
Bible Classes instructed.	Times,	-	-	56
Public services on Sundays and other days—				
• Old Swedes,	-	-	On Sundays,	79
			“ other days,	95
Trinity Chapel,	-	-	“ Sundays,	104
“	-	-	“ other days,	178
Total services,	-	-	-	456

**The Treasurer's Report exhibits the following account:**

Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$25 00
Nashotah,	-	-	-	-	34 45
Indian Missions—Rev. J. Lloyd Breck,	-	-	-	-	100 00
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	20 00
Huntsville, Alabama,	-	-	-	-	25 00
Rev. Gustaf Unonius, B. D.,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	14 89
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	-	-	40 00
Sunday School Library for the same,	-	-	-	-	45 00
Sunday School Library for St. Georges,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Prot. Epis. S. S. Union and Church Book Society,	-	-	-	-	50 00
Prayer Books and Sunday School Books, &c.,	-	-	-	-	112 70
Disabled Clergymen,	-	-	-	-	10 93
Episcopate, \$82.50; Convention, \$15,	-	-	-	-	97 50
Communion alms and other alms for poor,	-	-	-	-	538 01
From the ladies for the poor,	-	-	-	-	70 00
Repairs at Chapel and Old Church,	-	-	-	-	231 22
Incidental Expenses,	-	-	-	-	782 59
Current Expenses at Chapel,	-	-	-	-	1772 99
“ “ Old Swedes,	-	-	-	-	745 00
Parish Library,	-	-	-	-	105 35
Real Estate,	-	-	-	-	2000 00
Interest,	-	-	-	-	117 00
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					\$6957 63

In the death of Alexis I. du Pont, the senior warden of this Parish, we have met with a loss that cannot be estimated.

His zeal for every good work was a light shining before men that led many to glorify our Father which is in Heaven.

We are rejoiced to behold the fruit of his example in the increased liberality of the members of the congregation.

The Rev. Stevens Parker has continued to render the most earnest and devoted service at the Old Church.

Eight were confirmed this spring—the first confirmation since 1820—and the fifth ever held there.

Bishop White confirmed in 1793, 1819 and 1820. Bishop Claggett in 1803.

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

CHRIST CHURCH, CHRISTIANA HUNDRED.

Baptisms—Infants, 26 ; Adults, 7. Total,	-	-	33
Confirmed,	-	-	24
Communicants—Removed,	-	-	10
Suspended,	-	-	1
Died,	-	-	4
Dropped from the list,	-	-	5
Added,	-	-	26
Present number,	-	-	120
Marriages,	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	15
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 2 ; Female, 14. Total,	-	-	16
“ Scholars— “ 80 ; “ 103. “	-	-	183
Young Men’s Bible Class—Teacher, 1 ; Pupils,	-	-	26
Contributions—Missions.			
“ Domestic, General,	-	-	\$26 45
“ Diocesan, “	-	-	54 57
“ Foreign,	-	-	88 26
“ Total for Missions,	-	-	169 28
“ Communion Alms,	-	-	130 89
“ Disabled Clergymen,	-	-	43 72
“ Parish Library,	-	-	50 50
“ Sunday School,	-	-	20 10
“ Episcopate, -	-	-	56 50
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	15 00
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As will be noted above, we have commenced a Parish Library, numbering at present 103 vols., and containing, among others, the principal publications of the Evangelical Knowledge Society.

The Brotherhood, organized several years since, has rendered much efficient service in seeking out and aiding those who were thrown out of employment by the closing of the factories.

Owing to the financial distress, which is severely felt in this congregation, we have been obliged to make repeated collections for the poor. This has caused our Missionary contributions to be smaller than usual. The past year has been to our people one of temporal darkness and trial, but we know that it is "the Lord" who "maketh poor and maketh rich: He bringeth low, and lifteth up: He maketh sore, and bindeth up," and we have reason to hope that here, as in so many other places, this visitation will not be in vain.

S. C. BRINCKLE.

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IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE.

Baptisms—Infants 18, Adults 3,	-	-	-	21
Confirmed,	-	-	-	15
Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	9
“ Deceased,	-	-	-	1
“ Removed,	-	-	-	3
“ Present number,	-	-	-	72
Marriages, -	-	-	-	4
Burials,	-	-	-	3
Sunday School, Teachers—Male 4, Female 12. Total,	-	-	-	16
“ Scholars— “ 40, “ 51. “	-	-	-	91

Sunday services as last reported: all others the same, except for three months from the middle of September, when the rector was disabled by a broken leg.

Contributions—Alms,	-	-	\$64 82
Nashotah Mission,	-	-	100 00
Disabled Clergy,	-	-	40 00
Parish Library,	-	-	22 37
Domestic Missions,	-	-	74 85
Foreign Missions,	-	-	71 90
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	25 67
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	110 44

B. FRANKLIN, Rector.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEWPORT.

Communicants,	-	-	-	2
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 2; Female, 6. Total,	-	-	-	8
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	71

Contributions—Domestic Missions, - - - \$2 25

Through the kind assistance of friends, we have been enabled to provide a suitable chancel, neatly furnished, for our little Church, and also an excellent Melodcon.

A Female Bible Class is held weekly. Number attending, 15.

Our congregations are increasing and we look forward with hope; services have been held weekly since the last Convention. When we look back on the past year we thank God and take fresh courage.

WILLIAM MARSHALL.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, STANTON.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	7
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	-	10
“ Since removed,	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ Died,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	10
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	9
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	25
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	\$5 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	5 00	
“ Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	1 75	
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	11 75

Public Services—Sundays, 52; other days, 3. Total, 55

Through the praiseworthy exertions of a few individuals, the interior of this Church has been greatly improved at a considerable expense; and a melodeon has also been purchased. This, with the depression of the times, (which has been severely felt here) has caused our contributions for objects out of the Parish, to be so small.

The attendance on our services is much larger. A good feeling pervades our congregations; and from their earnest attention and tearful eye, we trust that the Holy Spirit is at work in our midst.

God grant that this may be the dawning of a glorious day to old St. James'.

WILLIAM MARSHALL

## ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEWARK.

Baptisms—Adult 1, Infants 10. Total,	-	-	-	11
Confirmed,	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	51
“ Since removed,	-	-	-	8
“ Died,	-	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	-	1
“ Present number.	-	-	-	42
Marriages,	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	3
Sunday School, Teachers—Male 2, Female 4, Total,	-	-	-	6
Scholars, “ 21, “ 10, “ -	-	-	-	31
Contributions—Foreign Missions,	-	-	\$ 46	12
“ Communion Alms, (Diocesan Miss.)	-	-	12	93
“ Episcopal Fund, \$10; Convention, \$10	-	-	20	00
“ Disabled Clergymen,	-	-	17	27
“ Evangelical Knowledge Society,	-	-	19	33
“ Sunday School,	-	-	4	26
“ Gratuitous distribution of books, tracts, &c.,	-	-	15	02
“ Payment of debt on Rectory,	-	-	58	00
“ Repairs on Rectory,	-	-	28	35
“ Other expenses, including current do.,	-	-	400	64
Total			\$621	92

Public services on Sundays, 79; other days, 1. Total, 80

The large number of communicants reported does not give a fair representation of the strength of the Parish, as 17 of them are only communicants of the Church of England, living in the neighborhood, never attending church or contributing for its support; and indeed a number of them are in the Diocese of Maryland. The Rev. Mr. Slack resigned the charge of the Parish in October last, since which time the pulpit has been supplied by several Clergymen, chiefly by the Rev. Mr. Colton, whose ministrations have been very gratefully appreciated.

A gentleman preparing for Holy Orders, has been invited, after

ordination, to accept the charge of this Parish, and is expected to enter upon his duties about the 1st of August.

BENJ. CAULK, }  
F. A. CURTIS, } Wardens of St. Thomas' Church.

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CHRIST CHURCH, DELAWARE CITY.

Baptisms—Adults, 3 ; Infants, 16. Total,	-	-	19
Confirmed,	-	-	5
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	27
“ Since removed,	-	-	10
“ Discontinued,	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	9
“ Present number,	-	-	24
Marriage,	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	8
Sunday Schools,	-	-	3
Christ Church Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	10
“ “ Scholars,	-	-	63
St. George's Station Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	5
“ “ Scholars,	-	-	45
Fort Delaware Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	2
“ “ Scholars,	-	-	12
Contributions—Western Missions by Sunday School,	\$	2 00	
“ Communion Alms,	-	15 70	
“ Other objects,	-	9 78	
“ For S. School Library by the children,		60 00	
“ Collected for Church repairs,	-	99 00	
“ Old debt and interest paid off,	-	669 76	
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Services on Sundays, 63 ; other days, 12.

This Church after remaining in an unfinished state for over eight years is now substantially finished, and the debt which so long embarrassed the congregation is liquidated.

The present prospects of the parish are somewhat encouraging. The attendance on the services of the sanctuary is good, and an in-

creased interest manifested in the prayers and offices of our beautiful Liturgy.

Two branch Sunday Schools have been organized and are in successful operation. The Sunday School Library at Delaware City has been largely augmented now containing about 500 volumes.

The draft on the pecuniary resources of the parish during the last year has been very great, when its feebleness is taken into consideration, and the few who were able and willing to assist.

It is to be hoped, however, that since the church building is completed, the congregation will be able to pay their present rector or his successor, the amount pledged more punctually. I have been compelled to resign my charge of the parish for want of adequate support. It is to be hoped that the kind and Christian sympathy of the Church at other points will be more cordially extended to this important and encouraging parish for a year or two, in which time it will be, doubtless, self-supporting.

W. H. D. HATTON, Rector.

#### ST. ANN'S PARISH, APPOQUINIMINK.

Baptisms—Adults, 4 ; infants, 9. Total,	-	-	-	13
Confirmed,	-	-	-	11
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	42
“ Since removed,	-	-	-	7
“ Died,	-	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	-	13
“ Present number,	-	-	-	47
Marriages,	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	1
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	6
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	41
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	10 00	
“ Other purposes,	-	-	6 60	

Public services on Sundays, Holy days and Fasting days.

The present incumbent, being but recently in charge of this Parish, can only report that he found it left by his Rev. predecessor in a prosperous and highly encouraging condition.

A new and fine-toned organ to help us to adore and praise has been erected in this church since the last Conventional report.

ROB. LLOYD GOLDSBOROUGH, Rector.

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA.

Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	16
“ Returned to Smyrna,	-	-	1
“ Present Number,	-	-	17
Contributions—Episcopal,	-	-	\$8 00
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	5 00
			——\$13 00
“ Amount raised for enlargement of the Church,	-	-	\$3000

For want of a convenient room we have been compelled to discontinue the Sabbath School since last August, to the present time.

Regular services have been held up to the 12th of August last, by Rev. A. S. Colton, when the vestry concluded to remodel and enlarge the Church. Since the above date to the present, we have had occasional services in the Presbyterian Church, which was kindly offered to us while our own is undergoing repairs, which we contemplate having finished this month.

H. R. PARSONS,  
Secretary of Vestry.

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CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	2
Marriages,	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	2
Public services on Sundays, 24 ; other days, 2,	-	-	-	26
Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	3
“ Removed,	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	14
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	6
“ “ Scholars,	-	-	-	40
“ “ Volumes in Library,	-	-	-	200
Contributions—Convention and Episcopal Fund,			\$11 00	
“ Domestic Missionary Society,			3 72	

This Church has been making a decided advance since the date of my last report; and so encouraging is the prospect here, that I cannot but again express my regret, that a field so "white unto the harvest" cannot command the services of a strong and constant "laborer."

JOHN LINN McKIM, Rector.

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN.

Baptisms—Adults, 2, Infants, 23,	-	-	-	25
Marriages,	-	-	-	13
Funerals,	-	-	-	10
Public Services on Sundays, 27; other days, 9,	-	-	-	36
Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	5
“ Removed,	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	19
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 1; Female 9,	-	-	-	10
“ “ Scholars,	-	-	-	50
“ “ Volumes in Library,	-	-	-	500
Contributions—Convention and Episcopal Funds,	\$12	00		
“ Domestic Missions,	-	6	28	
“ Bishop White Prayer Book Society,	3	00		
				—\$21 28

JOHN LINN McKIM, Rector.

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ST. PETER'S, LEWES.

There was no report of this Parish in the last Journal. My charge commenced on the 2nd Sunday of September last, and this report contains all that has transpired within the Parish between September 13, 1857, and May 30, 1858. The new church has been arranged for Divine service, and is finished except as to the spire, the rough-casting, and the graining of the pews.

The building is an oblong square, with recess chancel, gothic architecture, stained windows and diamond panes. Back of the chancel is a comfortable vestry room. The Communion table is a heavy gothic table made by a mechanic of the town; it is of black walnut and was presented to the Parish. We are also indebted to a kind friend for a handsome chair of gothic pattern, and to the church

of the Ascension, Philadelphia, for a marble font; also to a gentleman of that city for a pair of iron gates for the church yard.

The new building has cost about \$6,000, and is an ornament to the town. The old church has been removed to one corner of the churchyard and fitted up for two school rooms. The lower room is occupied by St. Peter's Grammar School, and the upper, as a lecture and Sunday School room.

The services in the Parish since September have been regular on Sunday mornings, and since the first Sunday in January every Sunday evening. I commenced in the fall with a Bible Class, which so enlarged that we have for some time held it in the lecture room instead of the Rector's study. During Lent there was afternoon service every Wednesday, and evening service every Friday. During Passion week service every morning and on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday night. In these Lenten services I was kindly assisted by Rev. Messrs. Wright and McIlvaine. All these services and especially those at night were remarkably well attended by serious and earnest congregations. I also gave Lectures during four weeks previous to the Bishop's last visitation upon the subject of Confirmation, on Wednesday evenings.

The custom of a weekly offering has been established with most satisfactory results. The attendance upon the regular services has increased, and the responding and singing of the congregation is delightful and encouraging. The Sunday School has increased in numbers, and on account of the more convenient room afforded to us by the change in the old Church, is more efficient. We commenced on the 9th of May a colored Sunday School, which meets after the closing of the Parish School on Sunday afternoons, and it is already attended by over forty scholars.

Being requested to do so, I have made regular appointments in the Parish of St. John the Baptist, Milton, for the afternoon of the first Sunday in every month. My first service was on Easter Sunday, and I hope by God's help to continue them. This Parish is twelve miles distant from Lewes, and is supplied without interference with the regular services of my own Parish.

I give below the statistics of the Parish :

Baptisms—Adults, 1; Infants, 9.	Total, -	-	-	10
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Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	14
Communicants—Number in September, 1857,	-	-	-	-	-	36
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	-	13
“ Died,	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	44
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	11
Sunday School, Teachers—Male 4, Female 8. Total,	-	-	-	-	-	12
“ Scholars— “ 28, “ 33. “	-	-	-	-	-	61
“ (Colored)—Teachers, 12; Scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	45
Contributions—Mission and Education Com.,	-	-	-	-	3 83	
“ General Missions—Domestic,	-	-	-	-	13 53	
“ Foreign, -	-	-	-	-	13 53	
“ Communion Alms, -	-	-	-	-	12 21	
“ Episcopal Fund, -	-	-	-	-	16 00	
“ Convention Fund, -	-	-	-	-	8 00	
“ Aged and Disabled Clergy, -	-	-	-	-	13 83	
“ Bishop White Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	-	2 00	
“ Protestant Episcopal S. S. Union,	-	-	-	-	6 00	
“ Sunday School, -	-	-	-	-	9 78	
“ Miscellaneous, -	-	-	-	-	67 96	
					—179 47	
“ Parish objects,	-	-	-	-	300 00	
					<u>\$479 47</u>	

THOMAS M. MARTIN.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, INDIAN RIVER, AND CHAPEL OF THE COM-FORTER, LONG NECK.

Baptisms—Infants, White,	-	-	-	-	11
“ “ Colored,	-	-	-	-	7
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	21
“ Died,	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	20
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	6
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	5
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 3, Female 5,	-	-	-	-	8
“ “ Scholars, “ 25, “ 35,	-	-	-	-	60

Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	6 54
“ Foreign Missions,	-	-	6 43
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	5 00
“ For Sunday School Papers,	-	-	1 53
Current expenses for year 1857,	-	-	58 00

Total, - - - - - \$77 50

Public services on Sundays, 35 ; other days, assisted by Rev. Mr. Colton, 6. Total, 41.

WILLIAM WRIGHT.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MILLSBORO.

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	5
“ Present number,	-	-	-	5
Marriages,	-	-	-	1
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	3 46	
“ Foreign Missions,	-	-	2 94	
“ Repairs to Church,	-	-	85	
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	5 00	
Current expenses for year 1857,			30 00	

Total, \$42 25

Public services on Sundays, 28 ; other days, assisted by Rev. Messrs. McKim and Martin, 4. Total, 27.

WILLIAM WRIGHT.

GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE MILLS.

Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	5
“ Present number	-	-	-	5
Marriages,	-	-	-	1
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 2, Female 3,	-	-	-	5
“ “ Scholars, “ 15, “ 20,	-	-	-	35
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	2 45	
Current expenses for year 1857,			17 00	

Total, \$19 45

Public services, Sundays, - - - - - 15

I have been precluded, on several occasions, from keeping my appointments at this church by the weather.

WILLIAM WRIGHT.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LITTLE HILL.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	6
Communicants—Number in last report not ascertained.					
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	2
“ Died,	-	-	-	-	3
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	81
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals—3, being performed by Rev. Mr. McKim and 1 by Rev. Mr. Slack,					5
Contributions—Domestic Missions,				-	1 94
“ Foreign Missions,				-	1 00
“ Disabled Clergy,				-	2 05
“ Convention Fund,				-	5 00
Current expenses for year 1857,				-	41 00
					<u>\$50 99</u>
Public services—Sundays,	-	-	-	-	18

WILLIAM WRIGHT.

ST. LUKE'S, SEAFORD.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	3
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	1
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Number in last report,				-	15
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	3
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	18
Funerals—1 adult, the late rector Rev. R. F. Cadle; 1 child of the present rector,				-	2
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	6
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	25
Contributions—Missions,				-	1 25
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	-	7 50
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	5 00
“ Other purposes,				-	8 02
					<u>\$21 77</u>

The present incumbent has been in charge of the parish but a few weeks, and presents the above report from the records.

S. R. SLACK, Rector.

P. O. Laurel.

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**ST. MARK'S CHURCH, LITTLE CREEK HUNDRED, SUSSEX COUNTY.**

Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Number in last report,				-	-	-	10
“ Added,			-	-	-	-	4
“ Present number,			-	-	-	-	14
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Contributions—Convention Fund,			-	-	3	20	
“ Building Fund,			-	-	527	85	
“ Missions,			-	-		75	
“ Parochial purposes,						50	
							<hr/> \$532 30

Church consecrated by Bishop Lee, Friday, May 28, 1858. Late rector died November 9, 1857. Present incumbent's first service May 16, 1858.

S. R. SLACK, Missionary.

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**CHRIST CHURCH PARISH, BROAD CREEK AND LAUREL.**

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Number in last report,				-	-	-	13
“ Died,			-	-	-	-	1
“ Added,			-	-	-	-	4
“ Present number,					-	-	16
Marriage,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Contributions—Missions,			-	-	-	2 00	
“ Other purposes,			-	-	-	50	
							<hr/> 2 50

This venerable Parish contains the ancient edifice, Christ Church, Broad Creek, still in excellent repair, and the recently erected St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel.

S. R. SLACK, Rector.

### REPORT OF REV. ASA S. COLTON.

My services during the last conventional year have been as follows : At the alms house, preaching a few times, but chiefly visiting the sick, and others to whom I could gain access.

Service with preaching in the Diocese (chiefly in vacant parishes, as in Smyrna, Middletown and Newark) about 65 times. Out of the Diocese, and in various circumstances, about 35 times. I have attended two funerals, and administered the Lord's Supper about 10 times:

ASA S. COLTON.

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### REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT MINISTER OF ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

I have held my present office of Assistant, since April 12, 1857, and my report extends to May 31, 1858, a period of 13 months and 19 days. In this time I have preached 68 sermons; read in whole or part, 180 services; delivered to Sunday Schools, &c., 32 addresses; assisted in the Holy Communion, 11 times; baptized (in Philadelphia, Pa.) 1 infant; and officiated at 1 funeral.

WILLIAM A. NEWBOLD, Assistant.

# ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—1858.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	BAPTISM.			COMMUNICANTS.						SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				CONTRIBUTIONS—MISSIONS.							
	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Lost.	Added.	Present No.	Marriages.	Funerals.	TEACHERS.		SCHOLARS.		Diocesan.	Domestic.	Foreign.	Total.		
												Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.					Female.	Total.
Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	11	3	14	6		1		8	25	1						60	10 29	12 12	23	68 47	
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	24	11	35	30	8	17	2	35	234	5	16	32	61	93	387	470	76 55	15 50	120 50	298 48	
St. Andrews, Wilmington,	88	8	96	19	7	15		46	189	13	38			28		382	109 89	194 45	20 00	324 84	
Trinity Church,	26	7	33	24	4	10	6	26	120	3	15	2	14	16	80	103	54 57	26 45	88 26	169 28	
Christ Church, Christiansa Hundred,	18	3	21	15	1	3		9	72	4	8	4	12	16	40	51	25 67	174 85	71 90	272 42	
Immanuel Church, New Castle,									2			2	6	8			2 25			2 25	
St. James', Newport,	7		7		1	3		4	10	1	9			4			1 75		46 12	1 75	
St. James', Stanton,	10	1	11	1	2	8		1	42	1	8	2		6	21	10	12 98	2 00		69 05	
St. Thomas', Newark,	15	3	18	5	10	10	2	9	24	1	8			17						2 00	
Christ Church, Delaware City,	9	4	13	11	1	7		13	47	1	1			6							
St. Ann's, Middletown,								1	17												
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	2	2	4	2		1		3	14	1	2			6			3 72			3 72	
Christ Church, Milford,	28	2	30	1		1		5	19	13	10			10			6 28			6 28	
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	9	1	10	14	4	1		13	44	2	11			24	28	33	3 83	18 53	18 53	80 89	
St. Peter's, Lewes,	16		16	1	1	1		20	6	5	5	8	5	8	25	35	6 54	6 48	6 48	12 97	
St. George's, Ind. Riv. & Chapel of the Comforter,	1		1					5						8			8 46	2 04	2 04	6 40	
St. Mark's, Millshore,								5	1					8			2 45			2 45	
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	6		6		3	2		31	1	1	3			5	15	20	1 94	1 00		2 94	
St. John's, Little Hill,	1	1	2		1			4	16	1	2									2 00	
Christ Ch., Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel,	3		3	1				8	18	2	2			6						1 25	
St. Luke's, Seaford,								4	18												
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,								4	14		5										
New Castle County,																					
Christ Church, Dover,																					
Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred,																					
Grace Church,																					
St. John Baptist, Milton,																					
Total.	271	43	314	120	24	70	10	184	1004	57	183	47	100	240	240	722	2217	288	44	406	1252

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS, 1858.—CONTINUED.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	CONTRIBUTIONS.						RECTORS OR MINISTERS.
	Charitable Objects.	Episcopate.	Convention.	Parochial Purposes.	Other Purposes.	Total	
Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred, .	14 48	12 50	6 00	28 44	83 50	\$ 158 34	Rev. John B. Clemson, D D.
St. John's, Brandywine Village, .	100 00			12,445 87		12,545 87	Rev. Charles Breck, Assist., Rev. Stevens Parker.
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, .	218 84	110 50	15 00	1700 00	44 42	2382 24	Rt. R. Alfred Lee, D.D., As. Rev. W. A. Newbold
Trinity Church, " .	618 94	82 50	15 00	5754 15	162 70	6957 68	Rev. Charles Breck, Assist., Rev. Stevens Parker.
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, .	174 61	56 50	15 00	70 60		485 99	" Samuel C. Brinckle.
Immanuel Church, New Castle, .	104 82	110 44	12 00	22 37		522 95	" Benjamin Franklin.
St. James', Newport, .						2 25	" William Marshall.
St. James', Stanton, .		6 00	5 00			11 75	" William Marshall,
St. Thomas', Newark, .	17 27	10 00	10 00	491 25	34 35	621 92	" William H. D. Hatton.
Christ Church, Delaware City, .	15 70	13 50	6 00	828 75	9 78	875 74	" Robert W. Goldsborough,
St. Ann's, Middletown, .			10 00		6 60	16 60	
St. Peter's, Smyrna, .		8 00	5 00	8,000 00		8018 00	
Christ Church, Milford, .		6 00	5 00			14 72	" John L. McKim.
St. Paul's, Georgetown, .		7 00	5 00		8 00	21 28	" "
St. Peter's, Lewes, .	26 04	16 00	8 00	309 78	75 96	466 67	" Thomas M. Martin.
St. George's, Ind. Riv. & Chapel of the Comforter, .			5 00	58 00	1 53	77 50	" William Wright.
St. Mark's, Millsboro, .			5 00	30 85		42 25	" "
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, .				17 00		19 45	" "
St. John's, Little Hill, .	2 05		5 00	41 00		50 99	" Samuel R. Slack.
Christ Church, Br'd Creek, & St. Philip's, Laurel, .					50	2 50	" "
St. Luke's, Seaford, .		7 50	5 00			21 77	" "
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred, .			8 20	528 35	8 02	532 80	" "
New Castle County, .							" "
Christ Church, Dover, .							
Calvary Church, Brandywine Hundred, .							
Grace Church, " .							
St. John Baptist, Milton, .							
Total, .	1292 70	445 44	140 20	25,325 91	380 36	28,886 81	

DR.

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer,*

1857.			
June 2,	To balance in the Treasury,		48 56
" 2,	To cash from Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		15 00
" "	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,		10 00
" "	" " St. James' Church, Stanton,		5 00
" "	" " Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,		8 00
" "	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford,		5 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Broad Creek, }		
" "	" " St. Phillips Chapel, Laurel, }		5 00
" "	" " St. George's Church, Indian River,		5 00
" "	" " St. Mark's Church, Millsboro,		5 00
" "	" " St. John's Church, Little Hill,		5 00
" "	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,		10 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,		5 00
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		5 00
" "	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,		10 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,		5 00
1858.			
Feb. 1,	" " St. Andrew's Church,		15 00
May 29,	" " St. James' Church, Stanton,		5 00
" 31,	" " Trinity Church,		15 00
" "	" " St. Andrew's Church,		10 00
June 1,	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		15 00
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			\$188 56
1858.	To balance in Treasury.		91 50
June 2,	To cash from St. Andrew's Church,		15 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,		5 00
" "	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,		10 00
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		5 00
" "	" " St. John's Church, Little Hill,		5 00
" "	" " St. George's Church, Indian River,		6 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		15 00
" "	" " Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,		5 00
" "	" " St. Mark's Church, Millsborough,		5 00
" "	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,		12 00
" "	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford,		5 00
" "	" " St. Mark's Church, Little Creek Hundred,		8 20
" "	" " St. Phillip's Chapel, Laurel,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,		8 00
" "	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,		10 00

*in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

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1857.		
June 5,	By cash paid the Sexton of St. Andrew's Church, as per order of Convention,	5 00
" 8,	By cash paid the Rev. M. A. D. W. Howe, Secretary of the General Convention, as per order of the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware,	9 00
" 10,	By cash paid the Rev. Asa S. Colton, as per order of the Convention,	15 06
" 18,	By cash paid to Henry Eckel & Co., as per order of Convention, for printing the Journal of Convention for the year 1856,	68 00
	Balance in Treasury,	91 50
1858.		\$188 56
June 3,	By cash paid the Sexton of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,	5 00
	By cash paid Henry Eckel & Co.,	225 25

Extract from the Treasurer's fund for the relief of disabled clergymen.  
The Churches which have contributed:

St. Andrew's Church,	86 18
Immanuel Church,	40 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	18 02
St. James' Church, Stanton,	1 57
St. Thomas' Church, Newark,	17 27
St. Peter's Church, Lewes,	18 82
St. Luke's Church, Seaford,	5 22
St. John's Church, Little Hill,	2 05
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	8 77
Trinity Chapel,	10 98
Cash received from without the Diocese,	80 00
" from other sources within the Diocese,	67 76
Total,	\$296 59
Amount from all sources within the Diocese,	216 59
Amount from abroad,	80 00
Total,	\$296 59

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer,*  
*in account with Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Delaware. DR.*

1857.			
June 3,	To cash from St. James' Church, Stanton,	5 00	
" "	" " Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	8 00	
" "	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford,	7 00	
" "	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,	80 00	
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,	5 00	
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	7 00	
" "	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,	21 00	
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,	6 00	
1858.			
May 24,	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	43 94	
" 29,	" " St. James' Church, Stanton,	5 00	
" 31,	" " Trinity Church,	82 50	
" "	" " St. Andrew's Church,	110 50	
June 1,	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	12 56	
			\$393 50
	Balance in Treasury,	144 00	
" 2,	To cash from Christ Church, Milford,	6 00	
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	7 00	
" "	" " Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	9 00	
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,	8 00	
" "	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,	110 44	
" "	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford,	7 50	
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,	16 00	
" "	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,	10 00	
			817 94

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1857.			
July 30,	By cash paid Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee,	139 00	
1858.			
May 14,	" " " "	110 50	
	Balance in Treasury,	144 00	
			\$398 50
June 11,	By cash paid Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee,	817 94	

The following is the amount of Assessment on each Parish in the Diocese for the support of the Episcopate, which is to be remitted annually to the Treasurer of the Convention, in accordance with Canon XV.

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	12 50
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, -	-	117 00
Trinity, Wilmington, -	-	94 50
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	60 00
Immanuel, New Castle, -	-	86 00
St. James' Church, Stanton,	-	5 00
St. Thomas', Newark, -	-	21 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	12 00
St. Ann's, Middletown, -	-	28 50
St. Peter's, Smyrna, -	-	8 50
Christ Church, Milford, -	-	7 00
St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,	-	9 50
St. Peter's, Lewes, -	-	22 00
St. George's Church, Indian River, and Chapel of Com- forter, Long Neck, -	-	10 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro, -	-	2 50
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, -	-	2 50
St. John's, Little Hill, -	-	15 50
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Phillip's Chapel, Laurel, -	-	8 00
St. Luke's, Seaford, -	-	9 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred, -	-	7 00

The following table exhibits the sum which each Parish is required to contribute to the Convention Fund in accordance with Canon X.

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	6 00
St. John's, Brandywine Village, -	-	5 00
Calvary, Brandywine Hundred, -	-	5 00
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, -	-	15 00
Trinity Church, Wilmington, -	-	15 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, -	-	15 00
Immanuel, New Castle, -	-	12 00
St. James', Newport, -	-	5 00
St. James' Church, Stanton, -	-	5 00
St. Thomas', Newark, -	-	10 00
Christ Church, Delaware City, -	-	6 00
St. Ann's, Middletown, -	-	10 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna, -	-	5 00
Christ Church, Milford, -	-	5 00
St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, -	-	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes, -	-	10 00
St. George's Church, Indian River, and Chapel of the Com- forter, Long Neck, -	-	5 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro, -	-	5 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, -	-	5 00
St. John's Church, Little Hill, -	-	8 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Phillip's Chapel, Laurel, -	-	5 00
St. Luke's, Seaford, -	-	5 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred, -	-	5 00

# STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

*From the Episcopal Address, Parochial Reports, &c.*

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese,	-	-	17
Number of Parishes in union with the Convention,	-	-	25
Number of Parishes without a Clergyman,	-	-	2
Number of Clergymen having more than one parochial charge,	-	-	6
Clergymen received with letters dimissory,	-	-	1
Clergymen to whom letters dimissory have been given,	-	-	2
Ordained to the Diaconate,	-	-	1
Candidates for Holy orders,	-	-	1
Baptisms—Adults 43, Infants 271, total,	-	-	314
Confirmed,	-	-	129
Communicants—Added 184, lost by removal 79, lost by death 28, present number,	-	-	968
Marriages,	-	-	57
Funerals,	-	-	135
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	285
“ Scholars,	-	-	2257

## *Contributions.*

To Missions—Domestic, 465 46; Diocesan, 288 44;		
Foreign, 382 80; total,	-	1,252 20
To the Episcopal Fund, from 13 Churches,	-	445 44
To the Convention Fund, from 18 Churches,	-	140 20
Charitable objects,	-	1292 70
Parochial purposes,	-	25,325 91
Total amount of contributions from 22 Parishes,	-	28,836 81

## *Summary.*

Baptisms—Adults 43, Infants 271,	-	-	314
Confirmed,	-	-	129
Communicants—Deceased,	-	-	28
“ Removed,	-	-	79
“ Added,	-	-	184
“ Present number	-	-	968
Marriages,	-	-	57
Funerals,	-	-	135
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	277
“ Scholars,	-	-	2257
Contributions—Missions,	-	1,252 20	
“ Episcopate,	-	445 44	
“ Convention,	-	140 20	
“ Charitable objects,	-	1,292 70	
“ Parochial purposes,	-	25,325 91	
“ Total,	-	28,836 81	

# FORM OF A PAROCHIAL REPORT.

## REPORT

**CHURCH.**

Baptisms—Adult	Infant	Total,
1900	1900	1900
1901	1901	1901
1902	1902	1902
1903	1903	1903
1904	1904	1904
1905	1905	1905
1906	1906	1906
1907	1907	1907
1908	1908	1908
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1911	1911	1911
1912	1912	1912
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2004	2004	2004
2005	2005	2005
2006	2006	2006
2007	2007	2007
2008	2008	2008
2009	2	

**Confirmed,**

**Communicants,—**

Number in last report,

**Since removed,**

## Died,

**Added,**

**Present number,**

## Marriages,

## Funerals

**Sunday School—Teachers, Male , Female , Total,**

**Scholars, “**

“

68

## Contributions—Missions,

**Communion Alms,**

**Episcopal Fund,**

**Convention Fund,**

**Other purposes,**

**Total,**

**Public Services—On Sundays , other days , Total,**

**Rector.**

## REMARKS.

**NOTE.**—Where the church is without a minister the parochial report should be made by the Wardens. Reports should be handed to the Bishop on or before the opening of the Convention.

All those upon whom devolves the duty of preparing the reports, are earnestly requested to fill up *all* the blanks in the above form.

## NOTICE.

**The next Annual Convention will be held in St. Luke's Church, Bedford, on the first Wednesday in June, 1859, at 9 o'clock, A. M.**

**CONTRIBUTIONS, &c.,**

to the

**EPISCOPAL FUND,**

and the

**CONVENTION FUND,**

should be sent

To Mr. JOHN B. LEWIS, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

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To the

**MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

To Dr. JAMES F. WILSON, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

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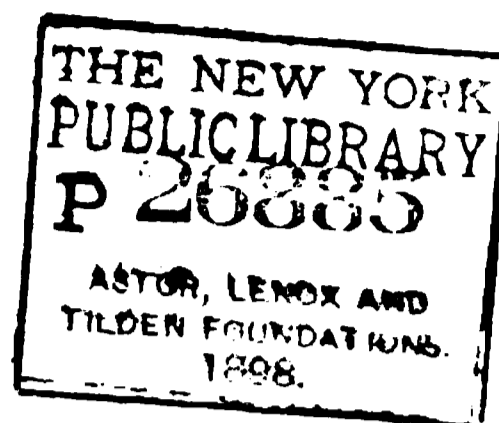
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To Mr. JOHN B. LEWIS, Wilmington.

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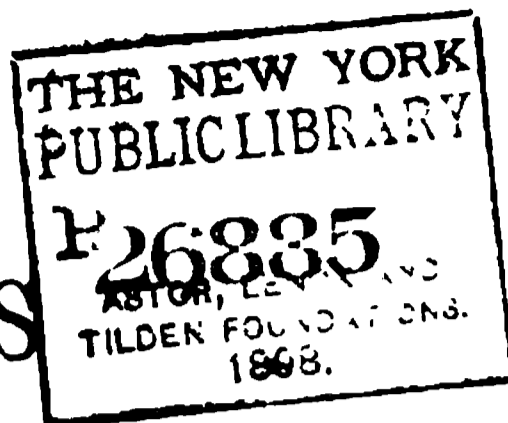
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# LIST

*Of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Canonically  
Resident in the Diocese of Delaware, June 1st, 1859.*

\*RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector  
of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

\*REV. CHARLES BRECK, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.

\*REV. SAMUEL C. BRINCKLE, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana  
Hundred.

REV. CORRY CHAMBERS, residing in Wilmington.

\*REV. JOHN B. CLEMON, D. D., Rector of the Church of the As-  
cension, Claymont.

REV. GEORGE ALEXANDER CROOKE, Rector of St. Peter's Church,  
Lewes.

\*REV. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Rector of Immanuel Church, New  
Castle.

\*REV. ROBERT L. GOLDSBOROUGH, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Ap-  
poquinimink.

\*REV. JULIUS E. GRAMMAR, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.

\*REV. ROBERT J. KEELING, Deacon, Rector of St. Thomas' Church,  
Newark.

\*REV. WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton,  
and St. James', Newport.

\*REV. JOHN L. MCKIM, Rector of St. Paul's, Georgetown; and  
Christ Church, Milford.

REV. DAVID McILVAINE, Deacon, residing at Lewes.

\*REV. STEVENS PARKER, Rector of St. John's Church, Brandywine  
Village.

\*REV. SAMUEL R. SLACK, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford;  
Christ Church, Broad Creek; St. John's, Little Hill; and  
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred.

\*REV. MARSHALL B. SMITH, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. An-  
drew's, Wilmington.

\*REV. WILLIAM WRIGHT, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian  
River; St. Mark's, Millsboro'; and Grace Church, Balti-  
more Mills.

[Total 17.]

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.*

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\*Represents those entitled to seats in this Convention.

# LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

*Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.*

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New Castle,	Ascension, Brandywine Hd.,	{ James Brown.
	St. James' Church Stanton,	{ Thomas M'Kee Brown,
	St. Ann's, Middletown,	{ Franklin Fell,
	St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ John Foot.
	Christ Ch., Delaware City,	{ Benjamin Gibbs,
	St. James', Newport,	{ Thomas S. Merritt.
	St. Thomas', Newark,	{ James F. Wilson, M. D.,
	Immanuel, New Castle,	{ Gregg Chandler.
	Trinity, Wilmington,	{ Clement Reeves,
	St. John's, Brandywine Village,	{ *A. V. Culin.
	Christ Ch., Christiana Hundred,	{ Thomas Kellam,
		{ John King.
		{ Benjamin Caulk,
Kent,	St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ Solomon M. Curtis.
	Christ Ch., Dover,	{ William T. Read,
	Christ Ch., Milford,	{ Samuel Guthrie.
		{ T. J. Adams,
		{ H. H. J. Naff.
Sussex,	St. George's, Indian River,	{ James V. Jeffries,
	St. John's, Little Hill,	{ Isaac S. Elliott.
	Ohrist Ch., Broad Creek,	{ James Conly,
	St. Luke's, Seaford,	{ Charles Green.
	St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ William Cummins, M.D.,
	St. Mark's, Millsboro',	{ George W. Cummins.
	St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ Joseph P. Comegys,
	St. Mark's, Little Creek,	{ John C. Penniwell.
	Ohrist Ch., Broad Creek,	{ George R. Fisher,
	Grace, Baltimore Mills,	{ Thomas Wallace.
		{ John B. Burton,
		{ Peter Robinson.
		{ Joshua S. Cannon,
		{ William E. Cannon.
		{ George W. Green,
		{ David O. Neill.
		{ William W. Dulaney,
		{ Charles Wright.
		{ Henry F. Rodney,
		{ William M. Hickman.
		{ George W. C. Hearn.
		{ Charles C. Stockley,
		{ Alfred P. Robinson.
		{ William J. Ralph,
		{ Samuel Kinney.
		{ Thomas L. Cannon,
		{ William Elligood.
		Not represented.

\*Absent.

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### PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

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ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD, June 1st, 1859.

This being the day appointed by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware, at its last Session, for the Annual Meeting of the same, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M., in St. Luke's Church, Seaford. The Convention was called to order by the Bishop, and the Secretary called the names of such of the Clergy as are entitled to seats in the Convention under the Constitution, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, viz :

The Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,  
" Charles Breck,  
" Samuel C. Brinckle,  
" John B. Clemson, D. D.,  
" Robert L. Goldsborough,  
" Julius E. Grammar,  
" Robert J. Keeling,  
" William Marshall,  
" Stevens Parker,  
" Samuel R. Slaack,  
" Marshall B. Smith,  
" William Wright.

The Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle and Wm. T. Read, Esq., were appointed to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates, reported by the Committee as duly elected, the following gentlemen answered to their names and took seats in the Convention :

Church of the Ascension, Brandywine Hundred,	{ James Brown Thomas M'Kee Brown.
St. James', Stanton,	{ Franklin Fell, John Foot.
St. Ann's, Middletown,	{ Benjamin Gibbs, Thomas S. Merritt.
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ James F. Wilson, M. D., Gregg Chandler.
Christ Church, Delaware City,	Clement Reeves.
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ William Cummins, M. D., George W. Cummins.
St. George's, Indian River,	{ John B. Burton, Peter Robinson.
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	{ George W. Green, David O'Neill.
St. Luke's, Seaford,	{ William W. Dulaney, Charles Wright.
St. James', Newport,	{ Thomas Kellam, John King.
St. Thomas', Newark,	{ Solomon M. Curtis, Benjamin Caulk,
Immanuel, New Castle,	{ William T. Read, Samuel Guthrie,
St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ Henry F. Rodney, William M. Hickman.
Christ Church, Dover,	{ Joseph P. Comegys, John C. Penniwell.
Trinity, Wilmington,	{ T. Jenifer Adams, H. H. J. Naff.
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	{ James V. Jeffries, Isaac S. Elliott.
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	{ James Conly, Charles Green.

A constitutional quorum being present, the Convention, pursuant to the sixth Article of the Constitution, proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. Charles Breck and George W. Cummins were appointed tellers, and upon counting the votes reported that Dr. J. F. Wilson had been duly elected.

Whereupon the chair declared Dr. J. F. Wilson to be Secretary for the ensuing year.

The Rev. Mr. Parker offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Students of Theology, who are candidates for Holy Orders in this church, who may be present, be and they are hereby invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

The Rev. George A. Crooke, of the Diocese of Delaware, the Rev. William Suddards, and the Rev. Thomas M. Martin, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and Mr. John L. McKim and J. L. Willoughby, candidates for Orders in Delaware, were present.

On motion of the Rev. S. Parker, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session, and on request were read by the Secretary.

## RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the Chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.
6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.
7. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.
8. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.
9. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.
10. No motion shall be considered as before the house unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.
11. When any question is before the house it shall be determined on before any new thing is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

12. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

13. When the house is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

14. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

15. The charge or sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each clergyman, and ten copies to each vestry in the Diocese.

Mr. George R. Fisher, Lay Delegate from Christ Church, Milford, appeared, answered to his name, and took his seat in the Convention.

The Bishop presented to the Convention the accounts of John B. Lewis, Esq., Treasurer of the Convention Fund and also of the Episcopal Fund, which, on motion of Mr. Gregg Chandler, were referred to a committee of three.

The President appointed as the Committee, Messrs. T. Jenifer Adams, Benjamin Gibbs and Henry F. Rodney.

The Convention then took a recess for Divine Service.

The order for daily morning prayer was read by the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, the Rev. Charles Breck, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington, and the Rev. Robert J. Kealing, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

The Ante-Communion service was read by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Samuel R. Slack, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford. The sermon was preached by the Rev. J. E. Grammar, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, after which the Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Brinckle and the Rev. Mr. Slack.

The congregation having been dismissed, the Bishop resumed the chair and called the house to order.

Mr. George W. C. Hearn a Lay Delegate from St. Mark's Church, Millsboro', appeared and took his seat in the Convention.

The Convention then adjourned until 3½ o'clock, p. m.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD, June 1st, 1859, }  
 3½ o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The Bishop took the chair and called the house to order.

The roll was called by the Secretary. The Rev. J. L. McKim, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, Mr. Thomas Wallace, Lay Delegate from Christ Church, Milford, Messrs. Charles C. Stockley and Alfred P. Robinson, Lay Delegates from St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, and Messrs. William J. Ralph and Samuel Kinney, Lay Delegates from St. Mark's Church, Little Creek, answered to their names and took their seats.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

## ADDRESS

*To the Clerical and Lay Members of the Sixty-ninth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.*

### BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY :

I proceed to lay before you the required statement of my official acts during the just expired year. This I do with a thankful recognition of that divine goodness which permits me again to discharge this duty and to meet you in annual Convention. I have much reason for gratitude that although disabled by sickness during a considerable part of the year, this has not very materially interfered with my engagements as Diocesan. In two or three cases I have been constrained to ask a little delay in visiting parishes where candidates are awaiting Confirmation. These I shall hope to visit very soon after Convention. In all the churches, with a single exception, I have officiated once if not oftener.

On the 15th July last, I made a special visit to Lewes for the purpose of consecrating St. Peter's Church and ordaining the Rector, the Reverend Thomas M. Martin, to the Priesthood. The occasion was one of much interest, and the services, which were continued for several days, attracted large congregations. This appropriate and convenient sanctuary is a creditable monument of the zeal and liberality of the congregation. Many hearts were grateful and gladdened to witness its dedication, unincumbered by debt, to the Triune Jehovah. The brightened prospects of the parish and considerable accessions made to the Communion greatly enhanced this joy.

The Rev. Mr. Martin, I greatly regretted to learn some months after, had accepted a call to a church in Philadelphia, and resigned the charge of this parish, in which his labors had been so successful, and in which he had awakened strong feelings of personal attachment. Mr. Martin's connection with St. Peter's church terminated on the 1st of January. After a brief vacancy the rectorship was accepted by the Rev. George Alexander Crooke, who entered upon his duties about the 1st of March.

On the 30th July, I performed the funeral service over the remains of Major John Sanders of the U. S. army, at Fort Delaware. By the unexpected decease of this lamented gentleman, and the removal of his large and interesting family, Christ Church, Delaware City, has sustained a serious loss.

On the 25th August, I took part, as one of the appointed ordainers, in the solemn service of the consecration of the Rev. Samuel Bowman as assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. This occasion was gratifying to me, not only from the elevation of so worthy and excellent a man to his important position, but also as bringing to an end my own labors in that Diocese, which, although most willingly rendered, had been, in addition to the claims of my own Diocese and Parish, somewhat onerous. Soon after our last Convention, at the request of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, I performed such Episcopal services as were called for up to the consecration of the Assistant Bishop. During this period I ordained in Pennsylvania three Presbyters and two Deacons, laid the Corner Stone of one church, confirmed one-hundred and thirty-one persons, and delivered twenty-two sermons and addresses.

On the 13th October I attended the meeting of the Board of Missions in the City of Baltimore. The remarkable manner in which Divine Providence has recently opened the Oriental world to the gospel invests with increased interest and promise the Missionary work. Our church has recognized the claim thus made upon her energies and means, and is preparing to obey the summons. It is comparatively little that our own limited Diocese can contribute to this great and glorious cause, but may we have diligence gladly to give of that little. I much fear that we have hitherto fallen very far short of our bounden duty in this important branch of Christian effort.

On the 3d of November I consecrated to the worship of Almighty God St. John's Church, Brandywine Village. The day was extremely inclement, but the interest of the occasion attracted a large and sympathizing congregation, as well as a good number of Clergy from our own and other dioceses. This beautiful structure stands as a noble monument of the Christian energy of the late Alexis I. du Pont, and the solemn ceremony brought affectingly to mind our lamented brother, who had so short a time before assisted in the laying of the Corner Stone, and but for whose zeal and generosity no such costly and impressive sanctuary would have arisen on that foundation. The church itself, for beauty and solidity, is unsurpassed in the Diocese, and conveniently accommodates a large congregation. The Rev. Charles Breck resigned the Rectorship of the Parish, to take effect from the day of consecration, at which time the Rev. Stevens Parker, former assistant, became Rector. The seats in this church are not rented.

On the 28th November, in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, I ordained to the Diaconate Mr. Marshall B. Smith, a candidate for Orders, transferred from the Diocese of Pennsylvania on the 22d September preceeding. Mr. Smith accepted an invitation from St. Andrew's, Wilmington, to be assistant minister of that church, and entered upon his duties as such immediately after ordination. The former assistant, the Rev. William A. Newbold, resigned in October preceding, and has removed to Pennsylvania, leaving in that parish, as well as in the Diocese, many warmly attached friends.

On the 13th of April last, in St. Andrew's, Wilmington, I ordained the Rev. Wm. Marshall to the Priesthood. Mr. Marshall is still en-

gaged in the same field, the parishes of Stanton and Newport, and from the encouraging character of my visit to the former in November last, I have every reason to believe that his labors are faithful and effective.

St. Thomas' Church, Newark, reported vacant last year, has been since acceptably supplied by the Rev. Robert J. Keeling, who entered upon the charge of the same in August. Christ Church, Delaware City, became vacant in September by the resignation and removal from the Diocese of the Rev. Wm. H. D. Hatton. The Rev. Mr. Keeling has been invited by the vestry to take charge of this church and has consented. His services commenced in November last, and although at no little inconvenience and self-denial, have been rendered with indefatigable energy.

On the 6th of May, I consecrated St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, being the third church set apart for divine worship during the conventional year. As the last meeting of this body was held in that edifice it is unnecessary for me to remark upon its architectural beauty and convenience. The Rev. Julius E. Grammar accepted the invitation to become Rector, which had been extended to him previously to the meeting of the last Convention, and entered upon his duties about the 1st of July. Under his acceptable ministrations the spiritual prosperity and growth of the church appear fully to keep pace with its external improvement. None of our churches have recently experienced a more gratifying revival, and I heartily congratulate the members of this once depressed and languishing congregation on their present cheering prospects.

I have heard with pleasure of a movement in Dover to resuscitate the church there. We have in consequence the gratification of welcoming to our counsels, for the first time for many years, delegates from that ancient parish. We receive it as a token for good, and trust that it will issue in the rising from the dust of a church once among the most prominent in our State.

In addition to the clerical changes above noted I have to remark that the Rev. Asa S. Colton has resigned his appointment as Missionary at the New Castle County Alms House, and has removed from the Diocese.

The following clergymen have been added to the Diocese since the last Convention :

The Rev. Julius E. Grammar from Maryland, letter accepted June 29th, 1858.

The Rev. Robert J. Keeling from Virginia, letter accepted July 7th, 1858.

The Rev. George Alexander Crooke from Pennsylvania, letter accepted April 15th, 1859.

The Rev. Marshall B. Smith, by ordination.

The following clergymen have been dismissed.

The Rev. William H. D. Hatton to Pennsylvania, letter accepted by Bishop Bowman, September 4th, 1858.

The Rev. William Allibone Newbold to Pennsylvania, letter accepted January 3d, 1859.

The Rev. Thomas M. Martin to Pennsylvania, letter accepted January 6th, 1859.

The Rev. Asa S. Colton to New Jersey, letter accepted by the Standing Committee of the Diocese, May 3d, 1859.

I have visited and preached in the following churches, viz: In Ascension Church, Claymont; St. John's, Brandywine Village; Trinity, Wilmington; Immanuel, New Castle; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred; St. James', Newport; St. James', Stanton, St. Thomas', Newark, three times; St. Anne's, Appoquinimink; St. Peter's, Smyrna, six times; Christ Church, Milford; St. Paul's, Georgetown; St. Peter's, Lewes, four times; St. George's, Indian River; Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck; St. Mark's, Millsboro; Grace Church, Baltimore Mills; St. John's, Little Hill; Christ Church, Broad Creek; St. Phillip's, Laurel; St. Luke's, Seaford; St. Mark's, Little Creek; in all, exclusive of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, thirty-two times.

There have been confirmed during the year:

In Ascension Church, Claymont,	-	-	7 persons.
" St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	20
" Trinity Chapel,	"	-	20
" Immanuel Church, New Castle, (in private,)			1
" St. James', Stanton,	-	-	8
" St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	10
" Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	7
" St. Anne's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	11

In St Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	14
" Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	-	1
" St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	-	1
" St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	-	-	3
" St. John's, Little Hill,	-	-	-	4
" St. Philip's, Laurel,	-	-	-	2
" St. Mark's, Little Creek,	-	-	-	6
" St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	-	2
" " " during the session of Convention,				7
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Confirmation is yet to be administered in Ascension Church, Claymont; Immanuel Church, New Castle; St. Andrew's, Wilmington, and St. John's, Brandywine Village.

I have also baptized on visitations, one adult, and four infants, and administered on several occasions the Holy Communion.

#### CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

July 8th, John Leighton McKim and Josiah L. Willoughby were admitted candidates.

September 22, Mr. Marshall B. Smith, a candidate for Orders in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, was received by letter of dismissal. He has been since ordained to the Diaconate as above mentioned.

In addition to the two gentlemen first named, Mr. Thomas G. Clemson is a candidate for orders, from May 11th, 1856. The present number connected with the Diocese is three.

The review of the year, therefore, presents :

Ordinations of Presbyters, 2 ; of Deacons, 1 ; total 3.

Churches consecrated, 3.

Clergymen received, 3 ; dismissed, 4.

Confirmed 124 persons on 17 occasions.

Our present place of meeting may recall to some of our body a previous meeting of the Convention in Seaford in 1839. A slight allusion to that assemblage may awaken our gratitude to the Author of all blessings. Although it is still with us the day of small things, we may well thank God and take courage when we look back and see to how low an ebb our church was then reduced. That convention was held in a house of worship belonging to another Communion, the church in which we are now assembled being then in an incomplete

state It was composed of the Rt. Rev. H. U. Onderdonk, Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, of two clergymen of this Diocese, and of twelve lay delegates, representing ten parishes. There were at the time eight clergymen canonically resident in Delaware, three of whom were connected with Newark College, and one other without charge, leaving but four settled pastors. Bishop Onderdonk had confirmed during the year 22 persons. He remarks in his address, "The lower half of the Diocese is now entirely without clergymen. This fact may require greater vigor in your Missionary operations as it certainly requires our fervent intercessions to the divine Head of the church. May He look in mercy on the destitution of this portion of the vineyard which his own right hand has planted."

We may, with humility and gratitude, acknowledge that this prayer has been in a measure answered. Although still feeble the church in this diocese now wears a more encouraging aspect. And upon our fidelity to our trust it will depend whether its growth in time to come shall be more marked and vigorous. What might we do with hearts warmed with the love of Christ and arms nerved by faith. Brethren of the ministry let us awake to our grave responsibilities. Let us do with our might what our hands find to do. Souls around us are perishing in carelessness and sin. Let not our trumpet give an uncertain sound. Let not our supineness and indifference leave any unwarned whom we can reach and rescue. We shall not labor in vain. I visited very recently the little sanctuary that stands as the fittest monument of the lamented Cadle, whose mortal part reposes beneath the shadow of this house of prayer. The humble church was filled with attentive worshippers, and a good number were presented by our brother, who has succeeded him in his extensive and arduous field, to receive the laying on of hands. And thus do the works of those who die in the Lord follow them. The clerical annals of the year past have added many eminent and beloved names to the great roll of the departed. May we live and labor in constant expectation of the Master's summons. May we be instant in season, out of season. Looking not at the things which are seen and temporal, but at the things which are unseen and eternal, acting upon those high and holy motives which raise us above considerations of the fear or favor of man, not ashamed of that gospel which is the power of God unto salvation,

may we do the work of evangelists, and make full proof of our ministry, and when the Chief Shepherd shall appear we shall receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.

And, brethren of the laity, how much can you do, if you will, to hold up your pastor's hands and further his labors. How much can you strengthen him by a ready co-operation with his plans of usefulness, by a kindly consideration of his burdens, infirmities and trials, by remembering that the Lord hath ordained that they who preach the gospel should live of the gospel, by not withholding the too often scanty support that is promised, and by recommending the cause of your own church by practical religion and living Christianity. It is hard for a minister to labor without sympathy; without the ready help of warm-hearted, zealous laymen; without the consistent, blameless example of those who are identified with his church, whether as members or as attendants. Those who are not communicants must not suppose that their life and conversation are a matter of indifference. In vain do we attempt to persuade the community of the Scriptural character and claims of our branch of the church of Christ, if the nominal adherents to our body are manifest strangers to the power of godliness. If you, brethren, do not enter the Kingdom of God yourselves, like the Scribes of old, you keep those out that would enter. And if you desire that the Gospel prove an eternal blessing to your souls and to your families, you must heartily embrace it, you must liberally sustain it. Far too low is the standard that prevails in many parts of our State in the matter of pecuniary contributions to the ministry, and to other objects which the church recommends. It is far below that which exists in many parts of our land. It is unworthy of those who call themselves churchmen—unworthy of noble-hearted laymen who should blush to lay themselves open to such a charge. Remember, dear brethren, who gave you all. Remember who will soon call you to give an account of your stewardship. Requite, so far as your ability extends, your boundless debt to redeeming love. And prove the Lord whether he will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

Your affectionate pastor,

ALFRED LEE.

Wm. T. Read, Esq., Secretary of the Standing Committee, presented and read an abstract of the proceedings of the Committee during the past year, as follows :

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware respectfully report to the Convention of the said Diocese an abstract of their proceedings during the past year, as follows :

The Standing Committee was duly organized by choosing at its first meeting Rev. J. B. Clemson, D. D., as President, and William T. Read as Secretary.

June 16th, 1858, the Standing Committee approved of the election of the Rev. Samuel Bowman, D. D., as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, consented to his consecration, and signed a testimonial of his meetness for the office of a Bishop.

July 8th, 1858, the Standing Committee signed the usual testimonial recommending the Rev. Thomas Mills Martin as a fit person to be ordained Priest.

July 8th, 1858, the Standing Committee approved the reception of Josiah L. Willoughby and John Leighton McKim into the Diocese of Delaware, as candidates for Holy Orders, and signed the necessary testimonials in their favor.

November 3d, 1858, the Standing Committee signed the proper testimonial recommending Marshall B. Smith as worthy to be ordained Deacon.

April 4th, 1859, the Standing Committee signed the required testimonial, recommending the Rev. William Marshall as meet and qualified for ordination to the sacred order of the Priesthood.

May 7th, 1859, the Standing Committee ordered, that the "Form" of a "Tabular Digest of the Triennial Report to the General Convention," transmitted by the Secretary of the General Convention, should be laid before the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware, June 1st, next, to call attention to it.

May 7th, 1859, the Right Reverend the Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware, asked the opinion of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware, as his "*Council of Advice*," on the following points :—  
1st. Does Canon 5 of 1856, take from the Bishop the discretion, al-

lowed by the Rubric, as to ordaining a Deacon Priest in less than one year after his ordination to the diaconate, in all cases, or only in the case of deacons, ordained on less qualifications? 2d. If the Canon and Rubric are in conflict which is superior? Adding if the Committee should be of opinion that the discretion remained, the Rev. Mr. Keeling might (as was very desirable) be ordained at the Convention.

The Standing Committee replied it was their unanimous opinion:—1st. That the Rubric, being the creature of Canon Law could be repealed by Canon—but 2d. Not by intendment—and 3d. In this case there is no express repeal—and therefore, 4th. The Rubric is still in force. 5th. The Rubric and Canon must be reconciled. 6th. The discretion is still allowed to the Bishop, but only, 7thly. to be exercised under extraordinary circumstances; and, finally, the case of the Rev. Mr. Keeling is an ordinary one, and therefore requires no dispensation of time.

May 7th, 1859, the Standing Committee signed the necessary testimonial recommending the Rev. R. J. Keeling as qualified and worthy to be ordained to the sacred order of Priests.

May 7th, 1859, the Standing Committee signed the requisite testimonial, recommending Mr. Thomas Green Clemson as worthy and qualified to be ordained to the sacred order of Deacons.

(Attest,)

WILLIAM T. READ,

*Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware.*

June 1st, 1859.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Franklin, it was

*Resolved*, That the Standing Committee of the Diocese be and are hereby appointed the Committee called for by the Fifth Canon to prepare "a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese to be presented to the General Convention," and that the clergymen of the Diocese be requested to forward to the Committee the required information.

On motion of the Rev. Robert L. Goldsborough, it was

*Resolved*, That the next Annual Convention be held in St. Ann's Church, Middletown, on the first Wednesday in June next.

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's accounts, reported that they had examined the accounts

and found them correct. The report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clemson, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee of three consisting of Messrs. James Brown, George Lodge, and Isaac S. Elliott, be appointed to take charge of the property of Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.

The Committee on the Glebe of Christ Church, Dover, made the following report which was accepted, and the Committee discharged :

The Committee on the Glebe of Christ Church, Dover, submit the following report to the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware :

At the last Convention the Committee were authorized to rent the Glebe on a long lease of nineteen or twenty years, on the best terms they could, having the permanent improvement of the property in view. Notice to this effect was circulated ; several applications and offers were made for the leasing of the property, but the Committee declined them all, as being of insufficient consideration. The Glebe as for years past is rented annually.       \*       \*       \*       \*       \*

The Committee have learned with pleasure that a vestry is organized in connection with the ancient and venerable church in Dover, and that its delegates are here to-day in Convention to represent the interests and privileges of that sister parish. They are happy to hear that it is probable the church will be under the spiritual charge of a minister within the current year.

With these facts in view the Committee cannot but hope that they may be discharged, and the property of the church at Dover be referred, as it of right belongs, to the control and jurisdiction of its newly organized Vestry.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD WOOTTEN,  
WILLIAM T. READ,  
GEORGE W. CUMMINS.

June, 1859.

A motion was made to postpone the elections which was negatived.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee for the ensuing year. The President appointed as tellers on the part of the Clergy the Rev. Stevens Parker and the Rev. William Wright; and on the part of the Laity, Messrs. H. H. J. Naff and William W. Dulaney.

On motion of the Rev. J. L. McKim, the following resolution proposed at the last Convention was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the second paragraph of Article III of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word *parochial*, so as to read: Provided, that all such clergymen shall have been actually and personally resident, within this State, for not less than six calendar months, next before the meeting of the Convention, and that all such clergymen, engaged in the work of instruction only, and Chaplains, shall have been actually and personally resident in this State, not less than twelve calendar months, next before such meeting.

The Rev. Mr. Franklin read the 17th Annual Report of the Missionary and Education Committee as follows:

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

The Report of our Treasurer shows the receipts and disbursements of the year to have been as follows:

*From Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.*

For Diocesan Missions, -	-	-	141 51
For Foreign—China, -	-	-	45 86
Sunday School, for China, -	-	-	12 65
			—————200 02

*St. Andrew's, Wilmington.*

For Diocesan Missions, -	-	-	100 00
“ Domestic—General, -	-	-	20 00
“ Foreign, -	-	-	50 00
			—————170 00

*Immanuel Church, New Castle.*

Diocesan, -	-	-	68 81
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*Trinity Church, Wilmington.*

Diocesan, -	-	-	27 50
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*Ascension Church, Claymont.*

Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	20 00
				<i>St. Thomas', Newark.</i>	
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	32 87
				<i>St. Peter's, Smyrna.</i>	
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	11 59
				<i>Christ Church, Milford.</i>	
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	3 00
				<i>St. James', Stanton.</i>	
Foreign,	-	-	-	-	11 00
				<i>St. James', Newport.</i>	
Foreign,	-	-	-	-	7 00
Special contributions of individuals,	-	-	-	-	55 00
Collection at last Convention,	-	-	-	-	32 50
Balance,	-	-	-	-	4 62
					<hr/> 643 21

The disbursements have been to :

Rev. A. S. Colton,	-	-	-	\$100 00
“ R. J. Keeling,	-	-	-	100 00
“ W. Marshall,	-	-	-	99 55
“ W. Wright,	-	-	-	86 94
“ W. H. D. Hatton,	-	-	-	50 00
“ S. R. Slack,	-	-	-	33 74
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	126 51
Domestic “	-	-	-	20 00
Special contribution for Dover, on hand,	-	-	-	26 47
				<hr/> 643 21

Most of the payments have been in pursuance of directions of donors. The unappropriated balance at the end of the year was divided between the Rev. Messrs. Marshall, Slack and Wright.

The contributions, it will be perceived, considerably exceed those of the previous year. This is probably owing in part to a circular addressed by the Chairman at the request of the Committee reminding the Rectors of parishes of their wants. The aid which the Committee were thus enabled to extend, they believe to have been greatly con-

ducive to the comfort of laborious self-denying men and to the progress of the church. The amount specially given to our Diocesan Missions has been \$492 28. The sum of \$350.00 appropriated by the Domestic Committee of the General Board has been paid to our two Missionaries in Sussex County. Our feeble parishes must apparently for some time to come be thus assisted, or be deprived of the ministrations of the gospel.

The Committee are happy to believe that their report is by no means an adequate exhibit of the Missionary interest, and benefactions of the Diocese. There is no surer test of true life in our Churches than their sympathy with the extension of Christ's gospel. It is impossible for those who really trust in and love the Saviour to be indifferent to this cause. If our constant prayer—Thy Kingdom come—proceeds from the heart it will open the hand and devise liberal things for the advance of that Kingdom. And all that is given from pure motives to this work is the pledge and earnest of still growing offerings. The Committee would throw no impediment in the way of entire liberty in the selection of objects to which the feelings of contributors may point. In our view there is no rivalry between foreign and domestic, general and local efforts. But all that is given helps on the cause and fans the holy flame of self-forgetting charity.

How wonderfully is the hand of the Lord now opening the distant regions of the earth to the Missionary cause. The mountains are levelled and the highways exalted. Old barriers are thrown down and time-worn bulwarks of heathendom are swept away. The hitherto inaccessible empire of Japan is now unbarred, and to American diplomacy pertains the high honor of having secured free toleration for the gospel. The degraded millions of China are now within reach of them that preach the glad tidings of salvation. Our Missionary Bishop to that populous empire is making strong appeals to his brethren in the bonds of Christ to stay up his hands, bending under so great a weight. From Africa we receive most cheering statements of the blessing of Heaven upon the faithful and persevering efforts of our brethren, who have gone thither to preach and teach Jesus Christ, and if the will of God be so to suffer and die. What Christian heart can listen unmoved to such invitations to good works?

Let us embrace in our prayers and sympathies the great and blessed

work of publishing the gospel to every creature. Let our benevolence be enlarged and expansive. It will be none the less efficient and practical in our own borders. Let us, as individual ability permits, come up to the help of our church in her aggressive warfare upon the Kingdom of Satan, and we may be sure that the dew of heaven will not be withheld from our own portion of the Lord's vineyard. All our moral wastes will rejoice and blossom as the rose.

ALFRED LEE,  
B. FRANKLIN,  
S. C. BRINCKLE,  
JAMES F. WILSON.

Additional contributions to missions as stated in the Parochial Reports :

<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Diocesan.</i>	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>	<i>Other Miss'y purposes</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Ascension, Brandywine Hd.,		21,77	32,03		53,80
St. John's " Village,	2,58		2,00		4,58
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,				97,74	97,74
Trinity, "	96,80	138,70	13,54		249,04
Christ Ch., Christiana Hd.,		33,51			33,51
Immanuel, New Castle,	4,85	228,21	39,68		272,74
St. James, Newport,		11,30			11,30
St. James', Stanton,		38,31			38,31
St. Thomas', Newark,	20,00	15,00	33,00		68,00
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,					25,00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,					141,31
St. Peter's, Lewes,	11,04	3,30	1,68		16,02
St. George's, Indian River,		2,83	2,48		5,31
St. Mark's, Millsboro,			54		54
St. Luke's, Seaford,		4,00			4,00
St. John's, Little Hill,		1,77			1,77
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On the first ballot for members of the Standing Committee, the two orders concurred in electing the Rev. Chas. Breck of the Clergy, and S. M. Curtis and W. T. Read of the Laity.

The account of John B. Lewis, Esq., Treasurer of the Fund for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen, was presented and read.

On the second ballot for two clerical members of the Standing Committee, the two orders concurred in electing the Rev. Julius E. Grammar and the Rev. Robert L. Goldsborough.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of Deputies to the General Convention, the same tellers being appointed. On the first ballot the two Orders concurred in electing the Rev. Charles Breck, the Rev. Benjamin Franklin and the Rev. Samuel R. Slack, of the Clergy, and Capt. S. F. du Pont of the Laity.

The Rev. J. L. McKim on behalf of the committee appointed at the last Convention to report "a scheme for dividing and designating by metes and bounds all the parishes in this Diocese," presented the following resolutions, which, on motion of the Rev. S. C. Brinckle were laid on the table.

1. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of every parish in this Diocese to decide, by their Rector, Wardens and Vestry the metes and bounds which their charters respectively call for, or which, in their best judgment do rightly pertain to their parish, and report the same to the proper Committee, as soon as practicable after Easter Monday next.

2. *Resolved*, That the Committee appointed for this purpose be instructed to receive all such statements from the several parishes, to make a full and accurate schedule of the same and report the whole to the next annual Convention for ratification or rejection.

3. *Resolved*, That for the before-mentioned purposes a Committee consisting of two clergymen and three laymen, be now appointed, of whom the laymen to be one from each County of the State.

On the second ballot for Deputies to the General Convention, the two Orders concurred in electing the Rev. J. E. Grammar of the Clergy, and Messrs. S. M. Curtis and William T. Read of the Laity.

On the third ballot for one Lay Deputy there was no choice.

On the fourth ballot the two Orders concurred in electing Dr. William Cummins.

On motion of the Rev. Charles Breck, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Wardens and Vestry of St. Luke's Church, for the use of their Church, and to the citizens of Seaford and its vicinity, for their kindness and hospitality to the members thereof.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer pay to the Sexton of St. Luke's Church, the usual compensation allowed for his attendance during the session of the Convention.

J. F. Wilson's bill for postage and freight amounting to \$7.54 was read and allowed.

On motion of Wm. T. Read, Esq., it was

*Resolved*, That the Rectors of Parishes in this Diocese be requested to take collections in aid of Christ Church, Dover, at such time as may be deemed most expedient.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clemson, the Missionary and Education Committee, the Committee for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen, the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund and the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, were continued.

The Convention then adjourned to re-assemble immediately after the Missionary meeting, this evening.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD, June 1st, 1859, }  
8½ o'clock, P. M. }

The Missionary meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. B. Franklin, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle, after which addresses were made by the Rev. Mr. Franklin, the Rev. T. M. Martin, Rector of Trinity Church, Philadelphia, and by the Bishop of the Diocese. A collection was then taken in aid of Diocesan Missions.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD, June 1st, 1859, }  
10½ o'clock, P. M. }

After the congregation was dismissed, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop, the Secretary read the minutes, which were approved, and the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

Attest,

JAMES F. WILSON, SECRETARY.

## LIST OF MISSING JOURNALS.

## DIOCESES.

## SESSIONS.

Maine, 1840, 42.

New Hampshire, 1840, 41.

Vermont, 1840.

• Rhode Island, 1840, 41, 51.

Western New York, 1840, 57.

Pennsylvania, 1857.

New Jersey, 1840.

Maryland, 1840.

Virginia, 1840, 41.

North Carolina, 1840, 41.

South Carolina, 1840.

Georgia, 1840, 41.

Florida, 1840, 41, 56, 57.

Alabama, 1840, 41.

Mississippi, 1840, 41, 44, 45, 46, 48, 51.

Louisiana, 1846, 49, 51, 52.

Ohio, 1840.

Indiana, 1840, 41, 47.

Illinois, 1840, 41.

Tennessee, 1842.

New York, 1857.

Massachusetts, 1857.

Michigan, 1840, 41, 42, 49, 52.

Wisconsin, 1848.

Oregon & Washington Territory, report of first Convention.

The Secretary of the Convention of each Diocese is respectfully requested to forward the required numbers on receipt of this Journal.

## DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

The Right Rev. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Bishop, and President of  
Convention. Residence, Wilmington.

### Standing Committee.

Rev. Charles Breck, *Chairman*.  
" Julius E. Grammar,  
" Robert L. Goldsborough,  
Solomon M. Curtis, Esq.,  
William T. Read, Esq., *Secretary*.

### Deputies to the General Convention.

Rev. Charles Breck,	Capt. S. F. du Pont,
" Benjamin Franklin,	Solomon M. Curtis, Esq.,
" Samuel R. Slack,	Wm. T. Read, Esq.,
" Julius E. Grammar,	William M. Cummins, M.D.

### Missionary and Education Committee.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman*.  
Rev. Benjamin Franklin,  
" Samuel O. Brinckle,  
James F. Wilson, M. D., *Treasurer*,  
George D. Armstrong.

### Relief Committee for the Assistance of Infirm and Disabled Clergymen.

Rev. Charles Breck,	Samuel Baily, Esq.,
John B. Lewis, Esq.,	<i>Treasurer</i> .

### Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

Hon. Caleb S. Layton,	Hon. Edward Wootten,
William T. Read, Esq.,	Clement Reeves, Esq.,

**Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.****Rev. Stevens Parker,****Edward G. Bradford, Esq.****Committee on Property of Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred.****James Brown,****George Lodge,****Isaac S. Elliott.***Treasurer of Convention*—**JOHN B. LEWIS, Esq.,** Wilmington.*Secretary of Convention*—**JAMES F. WILSON, M. D.,** Wilmington.

# APPENDIX.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CLAYMONT, NEW CASTLE COUNTY, \

#### DELAWARE.

The state of this parish calls for no specific remark, beyond that it is healthy and united, and gradually improving in all that should characterize a flourishing congregation.

Baptisms—Children,	-	-	-	12
“ Adults,	-	-	-	4
“ Whole number,	-	-	-	16
Confirmed,	-	-	-	7
Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	6
“ Removed,	-	-	-	3
“ Died,	-	-	-	1
“ Whole number,	-	-	-	27
Marriages,	-	-	-	5
Burials,	-	-	-	2
Contributions—For Missions, Foreign,	-	-		\$32 03
“ “ Domestic,	-	-		21 77
“ “ Diocesan,	-	-		20 00
“ Convention Fund,	-	-		6 00
“ Episcopal “	-	-		12 50
“ Relief “	-	-		10 21
“ Sunday School,	-	-		22 50
“ Pennsylvania Colonization Society,	-	-		5 27
“ Alms,	-	-		29 44
“ Other objects,	-	-		164 02
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				\$328 74

The charge of St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, was yielded up on the 1st of last July. Some few pastoral services have been ren-

dered since. My time is now divided between the duties of my school and parish. The former, I trust, is managed with higher than merely secular views. While the education is thorough and complete, aiming high in earthly attainments, our desire is, also, that it may be eminently Christian.

We trust that the upward tendency and progress of the church manifest throughout the Diocese, is somewhat experienced in this extreme northern border.

JOHN B. CLEMSON, Rector.

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ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BRANDYWINE VILLAGE.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	13
Communicants,	-	-	-	19
Marriages,	-	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	-	11
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	-	9
Parish School Teachers,	-	-	-	1
Sunday Scholars,	-	-	-	119
Bible Class,	-	-	-	9
Scholars in the Parish School,	-	-	-	35

The children of the Parish are catechised by the Rector every Sunday afternoon.

The Bible Class meets weekly.

Number of services on Sundays, 110; other days, 159; total number of services, 269.

The Treasurer's report exhibits the following contributions:

To Church building and furnishing,	-	-	\$11,457 02
Towards an iron railing,	-	-	107 90
Donation for the Parish School,	-	-	100 00
Aged and infirm clergymen,	-	-	3 00
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	2 58
Foreign Missions,	-	-	2 00
Contributed to the Sunday School Festival,	-	-	45 00
Gift from the young ladies of the H. M. Academy,	-	-	5 00
Offerings for the support of the church,	-	-	727 13
Total,	-	-	<hr/> \$12,449 63

The church edifice was finished during the past year and was consecrated on the 3d day of November, 1858. Previously there was only service in the school-house on Sunday afternoons and occasional evenings, as the present Rector was also Assistant Minister in Trinity Parish and had charge of the Old Swedes Church. During nearly four of the seven months in which the church has been opened, the Rector has been debarred from all parochial work by sickness.

All the seats in the church are free. It is supported by the Sunday offerings.

STEVENS PARKER, Rector.

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, Rector. Rev. Marshall B. Smith, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infants, 67 ; Adults, 5. Total,	-	-	72
Confirmed,	-	-	20
Communicants—Removed,	-	-	33
“ Deceased,	-	-	3
“ Withdrawn,	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	26
“ Present number,	-	-	222
Marriages,	-	-	6
Funerals,	-	-	18

### SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

No. 1—Teachers, Male 15, Female 32. Total,	-	-	47
“ Scholars, “ 163, “ 272. “	-	-	435
No. 2—Front Street Mission,			
Teachers, Male 11, Female 12,	-	-	23
Scholars, “ 72, “ 80,	-	-	152
No. 3—Robert Smith, (colored,)			
Teachers, Male 6, Female 27,	-	-	33
Scholars, “ 125, “ 170,	-	-	295
Schools, 3—Teachers, Male 32, Female 71,	-	-	103
Scholars, “ 360, “ 522,	-	-	882

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Foreign, 50 ; Domestic, 20 ; Diocesan,	67 47
From Sunday Schools—Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum,	75 00
Diocesan and other objects,	97 74
Total—Foreign, 125 ; Domestic, 20 ; Diocesan,	165 21
Amount, - - -	310 21
Relief Fund for Disabled Clergy, -	64 00
Communion Alms, - - -	54 52
Dorcas Society, - - -	82 00
	<hr/> 200 52
Evangelical Knowledge Society, - -	47 91
Episcopate, - - -	117 00
Convention Fund, 2 years, - -	30 00
Parochial—Extinguishment of church debt,	650 00
Ladies Sewing Society for “	205 00
To Sunday School from individuals,	50 00
	<hr/> 905 00
(Current expenses not included.)	\$1,610 64

Services as reported last year.

REMARKS.—The Rev. William A. Newbold resigned his office as assistant minister of this church, in October, 1858. He has been succeeded by the Rev. Marshall B. Smith, who was ordained November 28th, 1858, and immediately after entered upon his duties. The Rector was confined by illness to his house for the winter and part of the spring, during which period the great burden of Parochial duty devolved upon the assistant. The general condition of the Parish is satisfactory, but we have to regret the loss by removal of a considerable number of families, some of whom had been connected with this church from its foundation.

The services at the Front Street Mission were continued for most of the year with much encouragement. There is a good prospect of the speedy erection of a building upon an eligible lot on Washington street for the accommodation of the Sunday School that has been gathered, and for religious services. As in former years the heart of the Rector has been cheered by the warm-hearted co-operation of many of his people in works of Christian charity, and especially by the unwearied and faithful labors of his Sunday School Teachers.

It may not be out of place to express in this report the deep sympathy awakened among us by the sudden death of Dr. James F. Heyward, in St. Paul, Minnesota. Although he had become a temporary resident in that city, the hope was cherished of his not very distant return to Wilmington, and in mutual regard and affection he was still identified with this parish. All who knew him could bear witness to the purity of his character, the fervor of his spirit and the unblemished tenor of his life. His early age, his remarkable energy, his loveliness of disposition, his manifest self-consecration to his Saviour seemed to mark him out as the destined instrument of very great good—one whose shining light would constrain many to acknowledge his good works and glorify his Father in Heaven. But God had otherwise appointed, and if we are to be no longer blessed by his living activity, may we gather fresh lessons of Christian zeal and devotedness from his bright example and his peaceful death. “He being dead, yet speaketh.”

ALFRED LEE.

TRINITY PARISH, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Adults, 6; Infants, 59. Total,	-	-	65
Confirmed,	-	-	20
Communicants—Died,	-	-	4
“ Removed,	-	-	16
“ Added,	-	-	21
“ Present number,	-	-	179
Marriages,	-	-	21
Burials,	-	-	41
Sunday Schools,	-	-	1
Teachers,	-	-	29
Scholars,	-	-	352
Public services on Sundays and other days—			
Old Swedes,	-	On Sundays,	47
		“ other days,	37
Trinity Chapel,	-	“ Sundays,	104
“	-	“ other days,	150
Total services,	-	-	338

The Treasurer's Report exhibits the following account :

Communion alms and alms for poor,	-	-	\$212 79
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	62 30
Faribault Mission—Rev. J. Lloyd Breck,	-	-	50 00
Rev. H. C. Lay, New Church, Huntsville,	-	-	50 00
“ J. B. Pedelupe, “ Milwaukie,	-	-	12 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna, “	-	-	25 00
Parish Library,	-	-	69 24
Protestant Episcopal S. S. Union, and C. B. Society,	-	-	50 00
Disabled Clergymen,	-	-	18 16
Convention Fund,	-	-	15 00
Episcopate,	-	-	94 50
Interest,	-	-	72 00
Current expenses at Chapel,	-	-	1,553 69
“ “ “ Old Church,	-	-	511 73
Repairs at Chapel, and Church property,	-	-	94 65
Incidental,	-	-	497 58
Ladies' Association,	-	-	75 00
Sunday School offerings—Faribault Mission,		\$10 00	
Indian Miss., St. Columba,		16 70	
China Mission,		13 54	
Diocesan “		37 00	
			<u>\$77 24</u>
Total,	-	-	\$3,540 88

Having seen St. John's Church, Brandywine Village, brought to a successful completion through the continued liberality of the widow of the late lamented Alexis I. du Pont, I resigned the Rectorship of the same on the day of its consecration, November 3d, 1858, after which the Rev. Stevens Parker entered upon the duties of Rector, having been duly elected.

I take this occasion to express the keen sorrow felt at being obliged to resign the pastoral care of many much loved friends and parishioners residing in the vicinity of this church.

The charge of St. John's compelled their present Rector to resign the office of assistant Minister in Trinity Parish. It was with sincere regret that his devoted services, especially in connection with the Old

Swedes Church, were relinquished. Our prayers have followed him that his labors in the Village and Hundred may be abundantly blessed.

In Trinity Parish the children are catechised either in the church or the Sunday School, twice on each Lord's day, by the Rector.

An interesting Bible class for young men has been formed during the past year, which has been increasing in numbers and we trust will be instrumental to the consecration of themselves to the service of Christ and his church.

Two handsome Prayer Books have been presented to the church by a lady of the Parish.

The Rector has received a Surplice, Stoles, and Gown, from a family in the congregation, and a Cassock from several members of the church.

The members of the Ladies Benevolent Association have been unusually active in visiting the needy, and in preparing garments for the poor. This association together with the teachers of the Sunday School, are most valuable co-operators with their Pastor in all good works.

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

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CHRIST CHURCH, CHRISTIANA HUNDRED.

Baptisms—Infants 53 ; Adults, 1. Total,	-	-	54
Confirmed,	-	-	7
Communicants—Removed,	-	-	22
“ Died,	-	-	1
“ Dropped from the list,	-	-	8
“ Added,	-	-	11
“ Present number,	-	-	105
Marriages,	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	14
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 2 ; Female, 11. Total,			13
“ Scholars— “ 68 ; “ 70. “	-	-	138
Young Men's Bible Class—Teacher, 1 ; Pupils,	-		18

**Contributions—Missions.**

"	Domestic, General,	-	-	\$33 51
"	Diocesan,	-	-	141 51
"	Foreign,	-	-	58 51
"	Total for Missions,	-	-	—————233 53
"	Communion Alms,	-	-	38 09
"	Disabled Clergymen,	-	-	17 39
"	Parish Library,	-	-	20 00
"	Sunday School,	-	-	25 10
"	Church Bell,	-	-	527 50
"	Church debt,	-	-	222 00
"	Insurance,	-	-	24 00
"	Episcopate,	-	-	60 00
"	Convention Fund,	-	-	15 00
"	Total,	-	-	\$1,182 61

Public services on Sundays, 104; other days, 9. Total, 113.

Since the last report we have placed in the tower a fine toned bell, weighing 1240 lbs. We are still suffering from the late financial depression, two of the largest factories in the neighborhood being closed.

S. C. BRINCKLE, Rector.

**IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE, DEL.**

Baptisms—	Infants, 22 ; Adults, 2.	Total,	-	-	24
Confirmed, (in private,)	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—	Not before reported,	-	-	-	9
"	Deceased,	-	-	-	2
"	Removed,	-	-	-	4
"	Present number,	-	-	-	75
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	6
Burials,	-	-	-	-	14
Sunday Schools, Teachers—	Male, 4; Female, 10.	Total,	-	-	14
"	Scholars— " 43; " 54.	"	-	-	97

The confirmation has been postponed at the request of the Bishop until after the meeting of this Convention. A class is in waiting.

Public services as previously reported. The Sunday School is usually instructed by the Rector every Sunday. Public catechising

in church once in three months. It is hoped that more frequent public catechising may soon become practicable.

Contributions—Alms, -	-	-	\$97 22
“ Disabled Clergy, -	-	-	41 93
“ For Missions, -	-	-	89 68
“ Domestic, -	-	-	164 58
“ Parish Library, -	-	-	24 86
“ Episcopal Fund, -	-	-	53 36
“ Nashotah, -	-	-	45 58
“ Church in Minnesota, -	-	-	36 05
“ Diocesan Missions, -	-	-	73 86
“ Bishop White, P. B. Society, -	-	-	14 82

B. FRANKLIN, Rector.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEWPORT.

Baptisms—Infants, 7 ; Adults, 3. Total, -	-	-	10
Communicants—Number last reported, -	-	-	2
“ Added, -	-	-	2
“ Present number, -	-	-	4
Sunday School—Teachers, -	-	-	8
“ Scholars, -	-	-	75
Contributions—Domestic Missions, -	-	-	\$11 30
“ Foreign, -	-	-	7 00
Total, -	-	-	\$18 30

Services—Sundays, 52 ; other days, 4. Total, - 56

WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, STANTON.

Baptisms—Infants, 4 ; Adult, 1. Total, -	-	-	5
Confirmed, -	-	-	8
Communicants—Number in last report, -	-	-	10
“ Removed, -	-	-	2
“ Added, -	-	-	5
“ Present number, -	-	-	13
Funerals, -	-	-	10

Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	4
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	30
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	\$38 31	
“ Foreign,	-	-	11 00	
“ Communion Alms,	-	-	9 47	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	5 00	
“ Convention,	-	-	5 00	
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			\$68 78	

Public Services—Sundays, 52 ; other days, 6. Total, 58  
 WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEWARK.

Baptisms—Adult, 5 ; Infants, 6. Total,	-	-	11
Confirmed,	-	-	10
Communicants,	-	-	37
“ Number in last report,	-	-	42
“ Since removed,	-	-	20
“ Died,	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	16
“ Present number,	-	-	37
Marriages,	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	1
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 3 ; Female, 4. Total,	-	-	7
“ Scholars—White, 34 ; Colored, 23. Total,	-	-	57
Contributions—Missions, Domestic,	-	\$15 00	
“ “ Diocesan,	-	52 37	
“ “ Foreign,	-	33 00	
		<u>100 37</u>	
“ Communion Alms, (have been without the Communion)—			
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	18 50
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	10 00
“ Other purposes,	-	-	264 84
			<u>\$393 71</u>

Public Services—Sundays, 74 ; other days, 11. Total, 85.

My connection with this Parish dates from 11th July, 1858, previous to which for the space of seven months regular service was suspended, there being no Rector in charge. The present condition of the parish is most encouraging, both in respect of numbers and spiritual life. It will be seen in comparison of the above Report with that of last year, that our present number of Communicants is not so large as last year's figures exhibit. This *apparent* decrease is, however, *only* apparent, as I shall show. Of the *forty-two* Communicants reported to last Convention, it was distinctly stated that *seventeen* of them were members of the church of England settled in the region round about, never attending service at Newark or contributing to the support of the Parish. In the face of this statement we were assessed for the forty-two, when in reality our membership was but twenty-five; it is to be hoped that in all fairness, our resources will be estimated according to actual membership. That the accompanying report may exhibit the correct and reliable membership of the Parish, I have deducted the anomalous *seventeen*, under the head of "removals." Our contributions to the cause of Missions have been smaller this year than was to be expected. Several valuable contributing members are permanently lost to the Parish by removal to another Diocese; and others who have heretofore regularly contributed have been compelled by temporary embarrassments to withhold their assistance this year, authorizing us to expect better things of them before our next Report.

I ought not to conclude my remarks without a brief expression of thanks to my parishioners, who have said kind things, and done kind things, too many to be mentioned. The Rectory has been put in complete repair, and (through the voluntary efforts of the ladies,) has been comfortably furnished. If my people will aid me as faithfully with their prayers, as they have done with their purses—the Master's work will prosper in our hands.

R. J. KEELING, Deacon.

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CHRIST CHURCH, DELAWARE CITY.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	9
Communicants—Number last report,	-	-	-	24
“ Removed,	-	-	-	4

"	Not found,	-	-	-	8
"	Present number,	-	-	-	12
Contributions—Episcopal Fund,				\$ 6 00	
"	Other purposes,	-	-	190 00	
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					\$196 00
Services—Sabbath, 10; other days, 1. Total,					- 11
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 2; Female, 6. Total,					8
"	Scholars,	-	-	-	38

I entered on the duties of this Parish 1st November, 1858, since which I have held service every alternate Sabbath afternoon with the exception of two interruptions by stress of weather and impassable roads, and one, by some misunderstanding in changing the day of service at request of the congregation. I am pleased to observe, however, that these few omissions do not seem to have affected the attendance on the services. The congregation is large, and I think increased interest is manifested in the doctrines and claims of the church. From present indications I think some important accessions to our Communion will be reported at next Convention. This Parish is peculiar in many respects. It is decidedly a Missionary field, and as such must receive assistance from the Diocese. The ground here has been long pre-occupied by the other denominations of Christians, and unfortunately some prejudice has been needlessly excited against the Episcopal church. Time and judicious labor on the part of a pastor, will be necessary to counteract these adverse influences, and give the church a permanent footing in this place.

With the annual sum of two hundred and fifty dollars from the Diocesan fund, and the amount at present raised in the Parish, a resident Pastor might live comfortably here, and do signal service for the church. The miscellaneous character of the congregation, and the peculiarly missionary aspect of the Parish, would seem to require an energetic man with some talent for extempore speaking, and genial social manners; such a man must reside here and work faithfully in the pulpit and out of it. This, in my judgment, is the real want of the Parish. The financial engagements of this church are liberal for its numbers and resources, and they have been met with prompt alacrity. The ladies sewing circle are worthy of all commendation;

though few in number they have continued to meet and work faithfully, and within the last month have purchased and paid for a fine Melodeon at a cost of sixty dollars. They are not weary in well doing, and are now looking forward to the purchase of a bell, which is greatly needed and for which they will be happy to receive donations from the friends of the church.

R. T. KEELING, Deacon.

ST. ANN'S PARISH, APPOQUINIMINK, NEW CASTLE COUNTY,  
DELAWARE.

Baptisms—Infants, 28; Adults, 19. Total,	-	-	47
Confirmed,	-	-	11
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	47
“ Since removed,	-	-	9
“ Died,	-	-	4
“ Added,	-	-	18
“ Present number,	-	-	52
Marriages,	-	-	6
Funerals,	-	-	8
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	5
“ Scholars, about,	-	-	35
Contributions—Missions,	-	\$25 00	
“ Bishop and Convention Fund,	-	33 50	
“ Other purposes,	-	133 26	
“ Disabled clergymen,	-	5 35	
“ Organ, Font, Church carpets, &c.,	-	670 00	

The purchase of the organ, last year, amounted to \$660 00—printed in the Journal, by mistake, to be \$6 60.

Alms have been sent to feeble Parishes to considerable amount.

Public services on Sundays, 104; Holy and Fasting days, 66.

Divine Service is celebrated also at Odessa, with much success, on the afternoon of every other Sunday.

The spiritual condition of St. Ann's Parish is highly encouraging. Its treasury will probably receive, in the course of this year or next, the liberal bequest of \$1500 from the estate of the late Lewis Vandegrift.

ROBT. LLOYD GOLDSBOROUGH, Rector.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA.

Baptisms—Adult, 1; Infants, 16. Total,	-	-	17
Confirmed,	-	-	14
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	17
“ Added,	-	-	23
“ Present number,	-	-	40
Marriages,	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	10
Sunday School, Teachers—Male 8; Female 14. Total,			22
“ Scholars— “ 64; “ 40. “		-	104
Contributions—Missions—Foreign and Domestic,	-	\$27	31
“ Sunday School offering,	-	114	00
“ Communion Alms,	-	21	81
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	8	50
“ Convention “	-	5	00
“ Other purposes,	-	65	76
“ Current expenses,	-	79	47
“ For the completion of new church, in addition to \$3,000 for same object, stated in last report,		4,000	00
Total, -	-	-	\$4,321 85

This report dates from last July 4th. During this period of ten months the undersigned has preached one hundred and eight times. Every Thursday night, with few exceptions, services and a lecture have been held in this church. Lectures and addresses during Lent and upon confirmation have been delivered, together with monthly addresses at prayer meetings of the communicants and of the Sunday School teachers, respectively. The afternoon of every Communion Sunday has been appropriated to catechising and addressing the children of the parish, and to the administration of infant baptism.

The church has been closed once during the past year, in consequence of affliction in the family of the Rector. The parish is now relieved of the burden of a church debt and prepared, it is hoped, soon to erect other buildings needed in connection with ministerial work. A cemetery, including an area of two acres and a half, now belongs to the church, which is being suitably improved and fitted for the use of the congregation and the citizens of Smyrna.

The Rector has received many very kind tokens of the willingness of his people to strengthen his hands, and he acknowledges the divine blessing which has been vouchsafed to this part of the field.

He has preached twice in the church at Dover before large and attentive congregations.

**JULIUS E. GRAMMAR, Rector.**

**ST PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN.**

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	5
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	1
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	6
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	9
Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	-	1
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	18
Public Services,	-	-	-	-	31
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	10
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	50
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	-	\$5 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	9 50	

There have been made collections for Missionary and similar purposes, but the amount has not been accurately kept account of.

About \$75 dollars have also been expended by the congregation for the purchase of lamps for the church, by which it has greatly been improved.

**JOHN LINN McKIM, Rector.**

**CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD.**

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	3
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	1
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	14
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	4
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	25
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	-	\$5 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	7 00	

Other contributions have been made to the Missionary Society, and also to the Fund for Disabled Clergymen, of which no account has been taken.

The *status* of this church has not changed materially since last report. It needs much the undivided care and attention of a resident minister.

JOHN LINN McKIM, Rector.

LEWES, DEL., June 3d, 1859.

RT. REV. ALFRED LEE, D. D.

I resigned the Parish of St. Peter's, Lewes, in January last, having accepted a call to Trinity Church, Philadelphia. I enclose my report from June 1st, 1858 to January 9, 1859, of St. Peter's.

Baptisms—Infants, 14; Adults, 5. Total,	-	-	19
Confirmations,	-	-	2
Marriages,	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	4
Offerings—Incidental expenses,	-	\$250	84
“ Sunday Schools,	-	17	30
“ Female Prayer Book Society,	-	3	00
“ Infirm and Disabled Clergy,	-	7	59
“ Missionary and Education Committee,	-	11	04
“ Domestic Missions,	-	3	30
“ Foreign “	-	1	68

I left the parish with much regret having many attachments and fond associations, and I pray the blessing of Almighty God upon its members that they “may grow strong in the Lord and the power of His might.”

THOS. M. MARTIN.

*To the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,*

REPORT OF THE REV. GEORGE ALEXANDER CROOKE, RECTOR OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES.

I entered upon the duties of Rector of this Parish on the first Sunday in last March, since which time the following services have been performed, independent of the usual morning and evening services on Sunday.

During Lent the evening service every Wednesday, and on Friday

the same with sermon. During Passion week the daily morning service. The services for colored people on Thursday evening have been continued until a week or two since, in which I have been kindly assisted by the Rev. Messrs Wright and McIlvaine.

Baptisms, 7 ; of which 2 were in private and 1 an adult.

Confirmation,	-	-	-	-	1
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Marriage,	-	-	-	-	1
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Funerals, 2 ; on which occasions sermons were preached.

Communicants at time of entering on the Rectorship,	-	40
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“ Deceased,	-	-	-	2
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“ Removed,	-	-	-	2
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“ Added,	-	-	-	4
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“ Present number,	-	-	-	44
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Sunday School, White—Teachers, 10 ; pupils,	-	50
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“ Colored— “ 8 ; “	-	30
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The collections so far have been devoted to incidental expenses.

I found the Parish in a flourishing condition owing to the energetic labors of my predecessor in the Rectorship the Rev. Thos. M. Martin, now Rector of Trinity Church, Philadelphia.

GEO. ALEXANDER CROOKE.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, INDIAN RIVER, AND CHAPEL OF THE COMFORTER, LONG NECK.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	5
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Communicants—Died,	-	-	-	1
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“ Present number,	-	-	-	19
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Marriages,	-	-	-	2
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Funerals,	-	-	-	3
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Sunday Schools, Teachers—Male, 2 ; Female, 3. Total,	-	5
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Scholars,	-	-	-	-
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Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	\$2 83
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“ Foreign Missions,	-	-	2 48
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“ Disabled Clergy,	-	-	1 78
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“ ‘ Child’s Paper,’	-	-	2 00
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“ Repairs,	-	-	1 69
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“ Convention Fund,	-	-	10 00
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“ Current expenses for the year 1858,	-	-	76 63
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Public services, assisted by Mr. Colton and Mr. McIlvaine, Sundays, 51; other days, assisted by Mr. Martin, 6.

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ST. MARK'S, MILLSBORO.

Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	5
Marriages,	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	1
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 1; Female, 2.	Total,		3
“ Scholars— “ 6, “ 10.	“	-	16
Contributions—Disabled Clergy,	-	\$1 55	
“ Foreign Missions,	-	54	
“ Convention Fund,	-	3 00	
“ Current expenses for year 1858,		18 00	
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		\$23 09	

Public services, 25; other days, 1.

We have lately established a Sunday School at this church.

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GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE MILLS.

Communicants,	-	-	5
Contributions—For Disabled Clergy,	-	\$1 47	
“ Current expenses for year 1858,		12 00	
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		\$13 47	

Public services—Sundays, 20; other days, 1.

In addition to the above I have, in connection with Rev. Messrs. Martin, McIlvaine and Crooke, assisted to keep up a weekly service to the colored people at Lewes, and have occasionally preached at other places.

WILLIAM WRIGHT.

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ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD.

Baptisms—Adults, 2; Infants, 5.	Total,	-	7
Confirmed,	-	-	2
“ At Convention 7, and in Md., 1,	-	-	8
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	18
“ Added,	-	-	10
“ Present number,	-	-	28

Candidate for Holy Orders,	-	-	-	1
Marriages,	-	-	-	5
Funerals,	-	-	-	1
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	8
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	39
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-		\$ 4 00	
“ Communion Alms,	-	-	12 84	
“ Church Repairs,	-		182 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	9 00	
“ Convention Fund,	-		5 00	
“ Other purposes, by the ladies,	-		29 50	
“ Rector's Salary, amount paid,			176 00	
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			\$418 34	

Public services—on Sundays, 50; other days, 24. Total, 54  
S. R. SLACK, Rector.

**CHRIST CHURCH PARISH, BROAD CREEK, INCLUDING ST. PHILIP'S  
CHAPEL, LAUREL.**

Baptisms—Adult, 1; Infants, 5.	Total,	-	-	6
Confirmed,	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	16
“ Removed,	-	-	-	2
“ Died,	-	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	-	3
“ Present number,	-	-	-	16
Marriages,	-	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	-	4
Contributions—Communion Alms,	-		\$ 5 84	
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	5 00	
“ Infirm Clergymen,	-		1 00	
“ Convocation,	-	-	2 35	
“ For a Melodeon,	-		25 00	
“ Other purposes,	-	-	12 00	
“ Rector's Salary, amount paid,			38 00	
Total,	-	-	-	\$89 19

Public services—on Sundays, 31; other days, 20. Total, 51  
S. R. SLACK, Rector.

## ST. MARK'S CHURCH, LITTLE CREEK HUNDRED.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	3
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	6
“ In Maryland,	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	14
“ Omitted,	-	-	-	-	2
“ Removed, 1; Died, 1; Withdrawn, 1,					3
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	8
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	21
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	2
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	4
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	20
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	\$	3 00	
“ Furnishing and completing church,			123	72	
“ Building Fund, additional,	-	-	75	00	
“ Communion Alms,	-	-	1	10	
“ Rector's Salary, amount paid,	-	-	13	50	
Total, -	-	-	\$	221 32	
Public services—on Sundays, 18, other days, 9.			Total,		27

S. R. SLACK, Rector.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LITTLE HILL.

Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	4
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	31
“ Died, -	-	-	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	8
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	37
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	3
Funerals, -	-	-	-	-	2
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	3
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	15

Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	\$1 77
“ Communion Alms,	- -	2 55
“ Convention Fund,	-	5 00
“ Disabled Clergy,	- -	2 50
“ Other purposes,	-	1 11
“ Rector's salary, amount paid,	-	43 00
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Public services on Sundays, 28 ; other days, 6. Total, 34.

Other services while abroad on exchanges or visiting, as follows :

Read prayers—On Sundays,	-	-	17 times.
“ on other days,	-	-	16 “
Preached— on Sundays,	-	-	10 “
“ on other days,	-	-	5 “
Made addresses, on Sundays,	-	-	7 “
“ on other days,	-	-	12 “

S. R. SLACK, Rector.

#### REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT MINISTER, ST. ANDREW'S, WILMINGTON.

Having received and accepted an invitation from the vestry of St. Andrew's Parish, I entered upon the duties of Assistant Minister on the first of December, 1858. During the six months of my official connection with the Parish I have preached 69 times; read wholly or in part 92 services; made 33 addresses to Sunday Schools, and on other occasions; assisted in the Holy Communion 4 times; solemnized 2 marriages; baptized 1 infant in private; and officiated at 6 funerals.

M. B. SMITH, Assistant Minister.

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR:—In addition to my ordinary duty of assisting the Rector of St. Peter's, Lewes, I have been permitted to officiate on other occasions as follows :

1858—July 4, at Long Neck; August 1, Chapel and L. Neck; Aug. 8th, Chapel, a funeral; Aug. 15th, Chapel and L. Neck; Aug. 22, Lewes; Sept. 5, Lewes; Sept. 12, Lewes and Milton; Nov. 28, at Millsborough; Jan. 30, at Lewes; April 22, Lewes; April 24th, at Long Neck.

I have also taken my part in a service to the people of color.

DAVID MACILVAINE.

Lewes, 23d May, 1859.

# ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—1859.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	BAPTISMS.			COMMUNICANTS.						SUNDAY SCHOOLS.							
	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Lost.	Added.	Present No.	Marriages.	Parsons.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Ascension Church, Claymont,	12	4	16	7	1	8		6	27	5	2			not reported.			128
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	18		18					19	19	8	11	32	71	108	360	522	882
St. Andrews, Wilmington,	67	5	72	20	8	88	2	26	222	6	18	82	71	108	360	522	882
Trinity Church,	58	6	66	20	4	16		21	179	21	41	4	10	14	43	54	97
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	22	2	24	1	2	4		9	75	6	14	4	10	14	43	54	97
Christ Church, Christians Hundred,	58	1	64	7	1	22	8	11	105	2	14	2	11	18	68	70	188
St. James', Newport,	7	3	10					2	4					8			75
St. James', Stanton,	4	1	5	8		2		5	18		10			4			80
St. Thomas', Newark,	6	5	11	10	1	20		16	37	3	1	3	4	7			57
Christ Church, Delaware City,	9		9			4	8		12					8			38
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	28	19	47	11	4	9		18	52	6	8			5			35
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	16	1	17	14				23	40	1	10	8	14	22	64	40	104
Christ Church, Milford,	8		8	1					14	1	2			4			25
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	5		5	1		2		1	18	6	9			10			50
St. Peter's, Lewes,	20	6	26	8	2	2		4	44	4	6			18			80
St. George's, Ind. Riv., & Chapel of the Comforter,	5		5		1				19	2	8			5			16
St. Mark's, Millsboro,									5	1	1			8			
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,									5								
St. Luke's, Seaford,	5	2	7	9				10	28	5	1			8			39
Christ Ch., Broad Creek, and St. Phillip's, Laurel,	5	1	6	2	1	2		3	16	8	4						
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,	3		3	6	1	1	1	8	21	2	2			4			20
St. John's, Little Hill,				4	2			8	87	8	2			3			15
St. John Baptist, Milton,	1		1														
Total.	348	55	399	124	28	120	14	171	992	80	160	49	110	277	636	680	2181

# ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS, 1859.—CONTINUED.

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Dioceſan Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Total.	Charitable Objects.	Clergy Relief.	Episcopate.	Convention.	Parochial Purposes.	Current Expenses.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ascension Ch., Claymont,	\$ 20 00	\$ 21 77	\$ 82 03	\$ 73 80	\$ 29 44	\$ 10 21	\$ 12 50	\$ 6 00	\$ 22 50	not rep'd	\$ 169 29	\$ 828 74
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	2 58		2 00	4 58		8 00			11,714 92	727 13		12,449 63
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	165 21	20 00	125 00	810 21	186 52	64 00	117 00	30 00	905 00	not rep'd	47 91	1,610 64
Trinity Church,	124 80	188 70	13 54	276 54	212 79	18 16	94 50	15 00	733 47	2,065 42	125 00	3,540 88
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	73 86	246 21	89 68	359 75	97 22	41 93	58 36		24 86	not rep'd	14 52	591 94
Christ Church, Christiana Hd.,	141 51	83 51	58 51	233 53	88 09	17 39	60 00	15 00	818 60	"		1,182 61
St. James', Newport,		11 30	7 00	18 30						"		18 30
St. James', Stanton,		88 31	11 00	49 31	9 47		5 00	5 00		"		68 78
St. Thomas', Newark,	52 87	15 00	38 00	109 37			18 50	10 00		"	264 84	398 71
Christ Church, Delaware City,							6 00			"	190 00	196 00
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,				25 00		5 35	28 50	10 00	670 00	"	183 26	861 76
St. Peter's, Smyrna,				141 81	21 81	6 00	8 50	5 00	4,000 00	79 47	65 76	4,327 85
Christ Church, Milford,						7 00	7 00	5 00		not rep'd		19 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	11 04	3 30	1 68	16 02		7 59	9 50	5 00	17 30	"		14 50
St. Peter's, Lewes,		2 83	2 48	5 31		1 78		10 00	1 69	250 84	8 00	294 75
St. George's, Ind. Riv., & Chapel,			54	54		1 55		8 00		76 63	2 00	97 41
St. Mark's, Millsboro,						1 47				18 00		28 09
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,										12 00		18 47
St. Luke's, Seaford,		4 00		4 00	12 84		9 00	5 00	182 00	176 00	29 50	418 34
Christ Ch., Br'd Creek, & Chapel,					5 84	1 00		5 00	25 00	38 00	14 85	89 19
St. Mark's, Little Creek,					1 10	2 50		8 00	198 72	13 50		221 32
St. John's, Little Hill,		1 77		1 77	2 55			5 00		43 00	1 11	55 93
Totals,	\$590 87	\$586 70	\$826 46	\$1,620 34	\$567 67	\$188 93	\$424 36	\$187 00	\$19,314 06	\$3,499 99	\$1,060 84	\$26,812 84

DR.

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer,*

1858.			
June 1,	To balance in the Treasury,		91 50
" 2,	To cash from St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington,		15 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,		5 00
" "	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,		10 00
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		5 00
" "	" " St. John's Church, Little Hill,		5 00
" "	" " St. George's Church, Indian River,		6 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		15 00
" "	" " Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,		5 00
" "	" " St. Mark's Church, Millsboro,		5 00
" "	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,		12 00
" "	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford,		5 00
" "	" " St. Mark's Church, Little Creek Hundred,		3 20
" "	" " St. Phillip's Church, Laurel,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,		8 00
" "	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,		10 00
" 29,	" " Christ Church, Delaware City,		6 00
July 20,	" " Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,		6 00
Aug. 15,	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,		5 00
" 16,	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington,		15 00
" "	" " St. John's Church, Christiana Hundred,		15 00
Dec. 10,	" " St. George's, Indian River,		5 00
" 11,	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		15 00
1859.			
Apr. 30,	" " St. James' Church, Stanton,		5 00
May 20,	" " St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington,		30 00
			<hr/>
			\$312.70
" 31,	To balance in the Treasury,		10 95
June 1,	To cash from Immanuel Church, New Castle,		12 00
" "	" " Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,		6 00
" "	" " By Rev. Mr. Wright,		5 00
" "	" " Rev. Mr. Slack,		3 00
" "	" " from Millsborough, Mr. Wright,		3 00
" "	" " St. Luke's Seaford,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,		5 00
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's, Lewes,		10 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,		5 00
" "	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,		10 00
" "	" " St. Thomas', Newark,		10 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		15 00
" "	" " Christ Ch., B. Creek, and St. Philips, Laurel,		5 00
" "	" " St. John's Church, Little Hill,		8 00
" "	By amount paid sexton,	\$5 00	

*in account with the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.* CR.

1858.			
June 8,	By cash paid the sexton of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, as per order of Convention,	5	00
" 12,	By cash paid Henry Eckel & Co., by order of Convention, for printing the Journal, &c., for 1857,	225	25
Sept. 24	By cash paid Henry Eckel & Co., as per order of Convention, for printing the Journal of the Convention for 1858,	71	50
	Balance in Treasury,	10	75
		<u>\$312</u>	<u>70</u>

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer,*

*in account with the fund for Disabled Clergymen.* DR. CR.

1858.				
June 4,	By balance due the Treasurer,			28 83
July 6,	By cash collected by the Rev. Mr. Childs,	10	00	
" "	By amount collected in St. Andrew's Church,	42	00	
" "	By cash from Immanuel Church, New Castle,	21	27	
" 8,	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,	5	00	
" 13,	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,	6	00	
" 20,	" " Ascension Church,	10	50	
" 22,	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,	5	35	
" 23,	" " Rev. Wm. Wright,	5	00	
Aug. 2,	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	17	42	
" 4,	" " Christ Church, Milford,	7	00	
" 16,	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington,	10	16	
" 18,	" " St. John's Church, Little Hill,	2	50	
" "	" " S. R. Hitch, Esq.,	1	00	
Oct. 11,	" " St. George's Church, Indian River,	1	78	
" "	" " Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	1	47	
" "	" " Rev. Wm. Wright,	1	75	
Dec. 27,	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,	20	66	
" 31,	" " St. Mark's Church, Millsboro,	2	00	
1859.				
Jan. 27,	" " St. Peter's Church Lewes,	8	59	
Feb. 14,	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington,	8	00	
" 16,	" " St. John's Ch., Brandywine Village	8	00	
April 25	" " St. Andrew's Church,	21	94	
May 2,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq., at sundry times,	55	00	
	By amount paid to and for the Rev. Corry Chambers, at sundry times, as per book, since the last Convention of Diocese,			257 13
	To amount due the Treasurer,	23	57	
		<u>\$285</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>\$285 96</u>
	By amount due the Treasurer,			28 57

## STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

*From the Episcopal Address, Parochial Reports, &c.*

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese,	-	-	17
Number of Parishes in union with the Convention,	-	-	25
Number of Parishes without a Clergyman,	-	-	4
Number of Clergymen having more than one parochial charge,	-	-	5
Churches consecrated,	-	-	3
Church buildings,	-	-	27
Clergymen received with letters dimissory,	-	-	3
Clergymen to whom letters dimissory have been given,	-	-	4
Ordained to the Diaconate,	-	-	1
Ordained to the Priesthood,	-	-	2
Candidates for Holy Orders,	-	-	3
Baptisms—Adults 56, Infants 343, total,	-	-	399
Confirmed,	-	-	124
Communicants—Added 171, lost by removal 120, lost by death 23, present number,	-	-	992
Marriages,	-	-	80
Funerals,	-	-	159
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	277
“ Scholars,	-	-	2181

### *Contributions.*

To Missions—Domestic, 536 70; Diocesan, 590 87 ;	
Foreign, 326 46 ; total,	\$ 1,620 34
To the Episcopal Fund from 13 churches,	424 36
To the Convention Fund from 16 churches,	137 00
Charitable objects,	567 67
Clergy relief from 15 churches,	188 93
Parochial purposes,	19,314 06
Total amount of contributions from 22 churches,	26,812 84

# FORM OF A PAROCHIAL REPORT.

REPORT

CHURCH.

Baptisms—Adult , Infant , Total,  
Confirmed,  
Communicants—

Number in last report,  
Since removed,  
Died,  
Lost or withdrawn,  
Added,  
Present number,

Marriages,  
Funerals,

Sunday School—Teachers, Male , Female , Total,  
“ Scholars “ “ “

Contributions—Missions, Diocesan,  
“ Domestic,  
“ Foreign,  
“ Total,

Communion Alms,  
Episcopal Fund,  
Convention Fund,  
Clergy relief fund,  
Parochial purposes,  
Other purposes,  
Total,

Public Services—On Sundays , other days , Total,

*Rector.*

REMARKS.

**NOTE.**—Where the church is without a minister the parochial report should be made by the Wardens. Reports should be handed to the Bishop on or before the opening of the Convention.

All those upon whom devolves the duty of preparing the reports, are earnestly requested to fill up *all* the blanks in the above form.

## NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in St. Ann's Church, Middletown, on the first Wednesday in June, 1860, at 9 o'clock, A.M.

**CONTRIBUTIONS, &c.,**

to the

**EPISCOPAL FUND,**

and the

**CONVENTION FUND,**

should be sent

To Mr. JOHN B. LEWIS, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

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To the

**MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.**

To Dr. JAMES F. WILSON, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

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To the

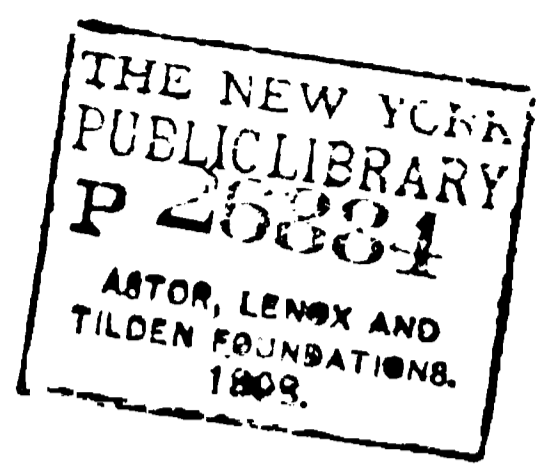
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*Wm. M. Henry, Secy.*

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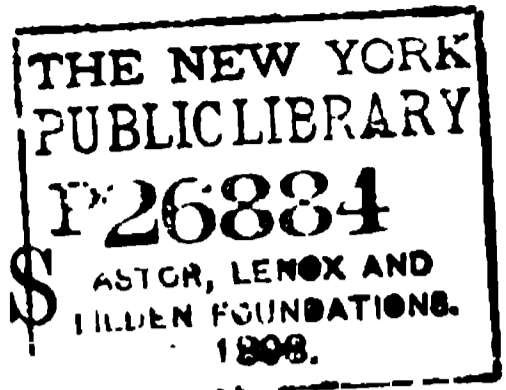
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# LIST

*Of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Canonically  
Resident in the Diocese of Delaware, June 6th, 1860.*

- \*RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector  
of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
- \*REV. CHARLES BRECK, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.
- \*REV. SAMUEL C. BRINCKLE, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana  
Hundred.
- REV. CORRY CHAMBERS, residing in Wilmington.
- \*REV. JAMES CHRYSTAL, Deacon, assistant Minister of St. John's  
Church, Brandywine Village.
- \*REV. JOHN B. CLEMON, D. D., Rector of the Church of the As-  
cension, Claymont.
- REV. THOMAS GREEN CLEMON, Deacon.
- \*REV. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Rector of Immanuel Church, New  
Castle.
- REV. JOHN L. GAY, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford; Christ  
Church, Broad Creek; St. John's, Little Hill, and St.  
Mark's, Little Creek Hundred.
- \*REV. ROBERT L. GOLDSBOROUGH, Rector of St. Ann's Church,  
Appoquinimink.
- \*REV. JULIUS E. GRAMMER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.
- \*REV. ROBERT J. KEELING, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, New-  
ark, and Christ Church, Delaware City.
- REV. GEORGE S. LEWIS, Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church,  
Lewes.
- \*REV. WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton,  
and St. James', Newport.
- \*REV. JOHN L. MCKIM, Rector of Christ Church, Milford, and St.  
Paul's, Georgetown.
- REV. DAVID MAC ILVAINE, Deacon, residing at Lewes.
- \*REV. STEVENS PARKER, Rector of St. John's Church, Brandywine  
Village.
- \*REV. MARSHALL B. SMITH, Rector of Christ Church, Dover.
- \*REV. GEORGE A. STRONG, assistant Minister of St. Andrew's,  
Wilmington.
- \*REV. WILLIAM WRIGHT, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian  
River; St. Mark's, Millsboro', and Grace Church, Baltimore  
Mills.

[Total 20.]

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.*

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\*Designates those entitled to seats in the Convention.

# LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

*Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.*

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New Castle,	Ascension, Claymont,	{ James Brown, Samuel G. Lodge.
	St. James Church, Stanton,	{ Franklin Fell, John Foote.
	St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	{ Benjamin Gibbs, Lewis T. Roberts.
	St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ James F. Wilson, M.D., Gregg Chandler.
	Christ Church, Delaware City,	{ Clement C. Reeves, *A. V. Culin.
	St. James', Newport,	{ Thomas Brackin, *John King.
	St. Thomas', Newark,	{ Benjamin Caulk, Solomon M. Curtis.
	Immanuel, New Castle,	{ William T. Read, Alfred C. Nowland.
	Trinity, Wilmington,	{ T. J. Adams, H. H. J. Naff,
	St. John's, Brandywine Village,	{ *J. Clond Elliott, *Isaac S. Elliott,
	Christ Ch., Christiana Hundred	{ John P. Wales, M.D., C. I. duPont, Jr.
		{ George H. Raymond, George W. Cummins,
		{ *Joseph P. Comegys, *Edward Ridgely.
Kent,	St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ George R. Fisher, M. R. Carlisle.
	Christ Church, Dover,	{ Not represented.
	Christ Church, Milford,	{ George W. Green, David O. Neill.
Sussex,	St. George's, Indian River,	{ J. W. Morgan, Charles Wright,
	St. John's, Little Hill,	{ John Rodney, William M. Hickman.
	Christ Church, Broad Creek,	{ Not represented.
	St. Luke's, Seaford,	{ Charles C. Stockley, C. R. Layton.
	St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ Not represented.
	St. Mark's, Millsboro',	{ Not represented.
	St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ Not represented.
	St. Mark's, Little Creek,	{ Not represented.
	Grace, Baltimore Mills,	{ Not represented.
		{ Not represented.

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\*Absent.

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## OF THE

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

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ST. ANN'S CHURCH, APPOQUINIMINK, June 6th, 1860.

This being the day appointed by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Delaware at its last session, for the annual meeting of the same, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at 10 o'clock, A. M., in St. Ann's Church, Appoquinimink. The Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The Secretary being absent the Rev. Stevens Parker was on motion of Rev. Charles Breck, appointed Secretary, pro. tem., who called the names of such of the Clergy as were entitled to seats in the Convention under the Constitution, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, viz :

The Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,

- " Charles Breck,
- " Samuel C. Brinckle,
- " John B. Clemson, D. D.,
- " James Chrystal,
- " Robert L. Goldsborough,
- " Julius E. Grammer,
- " Stevens Parker,
- " Marshall B. Smith,
- " William Wright.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson, and Solomon M. Curtis, Esq., were appointed to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the committee as duly elected the following gentlemen answered to their names and took seats in the Convention:—

Ascension, Claymont,	{ James Brown,
	{ Samuel G. Lodge,
St. Ann's, Appoquimink,	{ Benjamin Gibbs,
	{ Lewis T. Roberts.
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ G. W. Cummins,
	{ G. H. Raymond.
Christ Church, Milford,	{ George R. Fisher,
	{ M. R. Carlisle.
St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ John Rodney,
	{ William M. Hickman,
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ C. C. Stockley,
	{ C. R. Layton,
St. Luke's, Seaford,	{ J. W. Morgan,
	{ Charles Wright.
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	{ George W. Greene,
	{ David O'Neill.

On motion of Rev. Charles Breck, the election of a Secretary was postponed until after Divine Service.

The Rev. Mr. Goldsborough offered the following resolution, which was adopted:—

*Resolved,* That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Students of Theology, who are candidates for Holy Orders in this church, who may be present, be, and they are hereby invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

The Rev. John L. Gay, Rev. Thomas G. Clemson, and the Rev. George S. Lewis, of the Diocese of Delaware; the Rev. John K. Murphy of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. William Murphy and the Rev. R. H. Waters, of the Diocese of Maryland; the Rev. Thomas F. Billopp of the Diocese of New Jersey; and Mr. William T. Hotchkin, of the General Theological Seminary were present.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session, and on request were read by the Secretary pro. tem.

## RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the Chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.
6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.
7. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.
8. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.
9. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.
10. No motion shall be considered as before the house unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.
11. When any question is before the house it shall be determined on before any new thing is introduced, except the question for adjournment.
12. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.
13. When the house is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.
14. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.
15. The charge or sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each clergyman, and ten copies to each vestry in the Diocese.

The Convention then took a recess for Divine Service.

The order for daily morning prayer was read by the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred; the Rev. Charles Breck, Rector of Trinity Church,

Wilmington, and the Rev. John L. Gay, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford.

The Ante-Communion service was read by the Rev. John G. Clemson, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Brandywine Hundred, the Bishop reading the Gospel.

After the singing of two verses of the 105th Hymn, the Bishop delivered his 5th Triennial Charge.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Clemson, and the Rev. Messrs. Goldsborough and Breck.

The congregation having been dismissed, the Bishop resumed the chair and called the house to order.

The following clergymen, not present at the opening of the Convention, appeared and took their seats:—Rev. Messrs. Robert J. Keeling, William Marshall, George A. Strong, and Benjamin Franklin.

The following named Lay Delegates, not present at the opening of the Convention, answered to their names and took their seats:

St. James, Stanton, John Foote, Franklin Fell; St. Andrew's, Wilmington, G. Chandler, Dr. J. F. Wilson; Christ Church, Delaware City, C. C. Reeves; St. James', Newport, Thomas Brackin; St. Thomas', Newark, Benj. Caulk, S. M. Curtis; Immanuel, New Castle, W. T. Read, A. C. Nowland; Trinity, Wilmington, T. J. Adams, H. H. J. Naff; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, Dr. J. P. Wales, C. I. duPont, Jr.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Secretary. The Rev. J. E. Grammer and Benjamin Gibbs were appointed tellers, and upon counting the votes reported that Dr. J. F. Wilson had been duly elected.

Whereupon the chair declared Dr. J. F. Wilson to be Secretary for the ensuing year.

On motion of the Rev. Charles Breck, it was

*Resolved*, That when the Convention adjourn, it adjourn to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clemson, it was

*Resolved*, That the next Annual Convention be held in Christ Church, Dover, on 1st Wednesday in June, 1861.

The Convention then adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH, APPOQUINIMINK, }  
June 6th, 1860, 3 o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention re-assembled pursuant to adjournment. The Bishop called the house to order, and the Secretary called the roll. In addition to the Bishop there were present, of the clergy, the Rev. Messrs. Brinckle, Breck, Chrystal, Clemson, Grammer, Franklin, Keeling, Marshall, Parker, Smith, Strong and Wright; and of the Laity, Messrs. Brown, Lodge, Foote, Fell, Raymond, Fisher, Carlisle, Chandler, Wilson, Bracken, Curtis, Read, Nowland, Adams, Naff, Wales, and DuPont.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Clemson, the reading of the minutes of the morning session was dispensed with.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

## ADDRESS

*To the Clerical and Lay Members of the Seventieth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.*

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**BELoved BRETHREN :**

During the year just closed I have been enabled, through the sustaining hand of God, to meet the different claims made upon my office, although with a growing consciousness of the imperfect manner in which these duties have been discharged. Since the last Convention all the Parishes have been visited, and several of them more than once. I have usually met large and attentive congregations, and in many places witnessed indications of improvement. Our

growth, if not so rapid as we might desire, appears to be steady and healthful.

On the 6th July, 1859, in St. Thomas' Church, Newark, I ordained the Rev. Robert J. Keeling, Rector of the Parish, to the Priesthood.

On Sunday, July 10th, in the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, I ordained to the Diaconate Thomas Green Clemson, and John Leighton McKim. Mr. McKim has been since transferred to the Diocese of New Jersey, at the request of the Bishop of said Diocese.

From October 5th to 23d, I was in attendance on the General Convention, in the city of Richmond. This was the largest assemblage of that body ever held, and not behind any preceding Convention in ability and devotion to the interests of the Redeemer's church. The Missionary spirit manifested was exceedingly cheering, and much desire was evinced to awaken the great body of our people to a more earnest, practical and active Christianity. The Convention was also marked by the addition of five new members to the Episcopate, and the election of two Missionary Bishops for the domestic field. At one of the solemn services there held, that upon which the Bishops elect of New Jersey and Ohio were consecrated, I was called to discharge the office of preacher.

October 30th, I opened Calvary Chapel, Wilmington, for Divine Service. This edifice, eligibly situated in the South-western part of the city, is the fruit of a mission that has been sustained for two years by members of St. Andrew's church. Services have been since regularly held by the Rector and assistant Minister of St. Andrew's on Sunday afternoons, and a flourishing Sunday School sustained. The lot was liberally given for the object, and much interest has been manifested in the erection and furnishing of the building, which is plain, but extremely neat and convenient.

November 6th, in St. Andrew's church, Wilmington, at the request of Bishop Potter of Pennsylvania, I ordained the Rev. William Allibone Newbold of that Diocese, formerly assistant Minister of St. Andrew's, to the Priesthood.

On the 7th December, I admitted to the Presbyterate, in St. Andrew's, the Rev. Marshall B. Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Dover. At this ordination we were favored with a sermon from the Rev. Dr. Sparrow, Professor in the Theological Seminary, Fairfax Co., Va.

On Ascension Day, May 17th, assisted by a number of the clergy of our Diocese and of Pennsylvania, I consecrated to the worship of Almighty God, Christ Church, Dover. The restoration of this venerable edifice is truly cheering to those among us who had long mourned over the forsaken sanctuary, and apparently extinct Parish. The time-worn building, for so many years a sad spectacle of desertion and decay, has been entirely renewed, and is transformed into a well arranged, comfortable and attractive church. It has been occupied by a worshipping congregation since January last. From the number of habitual attendants, and the interest awakened by the services of the present Rector, we are encouraged to hope that brighter days are in store for this long depressed Parish. Those who were present on the occasion of the renewed dedication of the House of Prayer, will always retain delightful remembrances of this solemnity, as well as of the kind hospitalities of the citizens of Dover. The Vestry had obtained from the Rev. Dr. Hawkins, Secretary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, copies of such portions of their Records as relate to the Dover Mission, since its inception in 1704, which were kindly placed at my disposal for the preparation of an historical discourse delivered on the occasion. May the renewal of the material edifice be but preliminary to the raising up of the spiritual house, a holy temple in the Lord. So remarkable a revival may well strengthen our faith, and quicken our prayers to the God of all grace for that blessing without which our labor is vain.

#### CLERICAL CHANGES.

The Rev. George A. Crooke resigned St. Peter's Church, Lewes, in November last. The Parish remained vacant until May, when the Rev. George S. Lewis accepted an invitation from the Vestry to become their Pastor.

The Rev. Marshall B. Smith resigned his office as assistant Minister of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, July 1st, 1859, and accepted an invitation to Christ Church, Dover, in September following.

The Rev. Samuel R. Slack resigned his Parishes in Sussex Co., in September, 1859, and has been succeeded by the Rev. John L. Gay, who entered upon his duties in December following.

The Rev. George A. Strong has become assistant minister of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, since October 1st, 1859.

The Rev. James Chrystal has accepted an invitation to become assistant Minister of St. John's, Brandywine Village, and commenced his services there in October last.

The other Pastoral relations continue as reported in my address to last Convention.

#### ADDITIONS

To the Clergy of the Diocese have been the Rev. George A. Strong, from Virginia, letter of dismission accepted October 7th, 1859.

Rev. James Chrystal from New Jersey, letter accepted November 5th, 1859.

Rev. John L. Gay from North Carolina, letter accepted December 12th, 1859.

Rev. George Seymour Lewis from New Jersey, letter accepted May 18th, 1860.

Rev. Thomas Green Clemson, Deacon,	} July 10th, 1859, by Ordination.
Rev. J. Leighton McKim, Deacon,	

#### REMOVALS.

The Rev. George A. Crooke to Diocese of Pennsylvania, November 21st, 1859.

The Rev. John Leighton McKim to New Jersey, Nov. 26th, 1859.

The Rev. Samuel R. Slack to Maryland, May 12th, 1860.

#### CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

Of the three candidates reported last year, two, Messrs. Clemson and McKim, have been ordained.

Mr. Josiah L. Wiloughby, at his request, has ceased to be a candidate. At present therefore there are none connected with the Diocese.

#### VISITATIONS.

I have officiated in the following Churches and Stations—on which occasions I have preached in the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, twice; in St. John's, Brandywine Village, three times; in Trinity Church, Wilmington, twice; in Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, once; in St. James', Newport, once; St. James', Stanton, once; Immanuel, New Castle, three times; Christ Church, Delaware City, twice; St. Thomas', Newark, twice; St. Ann's, Appoquinimink, once; St. Peter's, Smyrna, once; Christ Church, Dover, twice;

Christ Church, Milford, once; in Milton, once; St. Paul's, Georgetown, twice; St. Peter's, Lewes, five times; St. George's, Indian River, once; Chapel of the Comforter, Long Neck, once; St. Mark's, Millsboro', once; Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, once; St. John's, Little Hill, once; St. Luke's, Seaford, once; Christ Church, Broad Creek, once; St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel, once; St. Mark's, Little Creek, once; in all (not including St. Andrew's and Calvary Chapel, Wilmington,) thirty-nine times.

On several of these occasions the Lord's Supper was celebrated.

Without the Diocese I have delivered ten sermons.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

There have been confirmed, since the preceding Convention :

In Church of the Ascension, Claymont,	-	4 persons.
" Trinity, Wilmington, (of whom seven sick persons in private,)	-	22
" St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	16
" Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	10
" Immanuel, New Castle,	-	30
" Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	5
" St. James', Newport,	-	2
" St. James', Stanton,	-	5
" St. Thomas', Newark,	-	9
" St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	-	9
" St. Peter's, Smyrna, (one in private,)	-	4
" Christ Church, Milford,	-	2
" St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	6
" St. Mark's, Millsboro',	-	1
" St. Philip's, Laurel,	-	1
" St. Luke's, Seaford, (one in private,)	-	4
		—144

The review of the year, presents :

Ordinations of Presbyters, 3 ; of Deacons, 2 ; total 5.

Confirmations, 144.

One Church consecrated.

One Chapel opened for divine service.

Clergymen received from other Dioceses, 4.

" dismissed to " " 3.

Clergymen Canonically resident, 20.

“            having Parochial cures, 17.

Rectors of single Parishes, 10.

“            two            “            3.

One has three cures and one four, 2.

Assistant Ministers, 2.

Churches occupied, 27, in 23 Parishes.

There is at present no actual Parish without a Minister.

“ Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.” If faithful to our high and holy trust we may look confidently for larger increase and a more abundant blessing. Let us go on with hope and courage in the strength of our Lord. But let us bear in mind, dear brethren, Clerical and Lay, that the outward increase of the Church is not the end we should have in view, but the means to an end—and that end the glory of God and the salvation of undying souls. If this be not the issue, in the case of Diocese, Parish, or individual, the most flourishing exterior and prosperous appearances will only be followed by a deeper downfall and a more terrible disappointment. Let us never forget the great coming day, when “the fire shall try every man’s work”—the fire which nought can endure, but “gold, silver and precious stones,” built upon the alone solid foundation, Jesus Christ and Him crucified. Let us never forget that we are building for eternity.

God grant that the additions to our Churches may be of such as shall be saved, and only such. God grant that as we go out, pastors and people, from temples made with hands, ours may be an abundant entrance into the everlasting Kingdom.

ALFRED LEE.

Wm. T. Read, Esq., Secretary of the Standing Committee, presented and read an abstract of the proceedings of the Committee during the past year, as follows :

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware respectfully report to the Convention of the said Diocese an abstract of their proceedings during the past year, as follows :

June 1st, 1859, the Standing Committee met at Seaford, Delaware, and was duly organized by choosing the Rev. Charles Breck as Chairman, and William T. Read as Secretary.

July 7th, 1859, the Standing Committee signed the proper testimonial, recommending John Leighton McKim as a fit person to be ordained Deacon.

September 26th, 1859, the Standing Committee approved the reception of the Rev. John Leighton McKim, and the Rev. Marshall B. Smith as candidates for ordination to the Priesthood.

September 26th, 1859, the Standing Committee, as required by a Resolution of the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware, adopted June 1st, 1859, prepared, with the aid of the Bishop of the said Diocese, the "Report of the state of the Church therein," to be laid before the General Convention, in October, 1859, by the Reverend, the President of the said Committee.

December 2d, 1859, the Standing Committee signed the requisite testimonial, recommending the Rev. Marshall B. Smith as worthy and qualified to be ordained to the sacred order of the Priesthood.

June 6th, 1860, the Standing Committee recommended that the travelling expenses of the Rev. S. R. Slack to and from the General Convention, held at Richmond, Virginia, October, 1859, be paid by the Treasurer of the Convention.

June 6th, 1860, the Standing Committee recommended the Rev. Thomas Green Clemson and the Rev. James Chrystal as candidates for ordination to the Priesthood.

(Attest,)

WILLIAM T. READ,

*Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware.*

The Rev. Charles Breck presented the following preamble and resolutions which were adopted:

The committee appointed by the General Convention to procure the publication of the Reports of the General Conventions of the Protestant Episcopal Church from 1785 to 1853 inclusive, have succeeded in making arrangements with a publisher to stereotype, print and publish the above mentioned Reports. The valuable services of the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., L. L. D., have been secured to furnish explanatory Historical Notes, and the Rev. Wm. S. Perry will prepare an Analytical Index.

*Resolved*, That it is expedient every Parish should subscribe for at least one copy.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be authorized to subscribe for a copy to be placed among the archives of the Diocese.

*Resolved*, That this Convention recommends, in furtherance of this important work, the co-operation of both the clergy and laity.

The Bishop having called the Rev. Charles Breck to the chair, the Rev. Dr. Clemson offered the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That in the judgment of the Convention, the period has arrived when measures should be taken for laying the foundation of a permanent fund for the Episcopate of this Diocese.

*Resolved*, That a committee of three in each county, consisting of one clergyman and two laymen—the three county committees forming a Diocesan committee—be appointed to carry the same into effect.

The first resolution was adopted unanimously—the second being on motion of Wm. T. Read, Esq., referred to a committee of two clergymen and three laymen, the chairman appointed the Rev. Dr. J. B. Clemson, Rev. Benjamin Franklin, Franklin Fell, George W. Cummins and C. Wright. The Bishop then resumed the chair, when,

On motion of the Rev. J. E. Grammer, the election of Deputies to the General Convention was postponed until the next Annual Convention.

Mr. George R. Fisher moved to postpone the election of the Standing Committee. Rev. Mr. Smith moved to lay the motion on the table. The motion to lay on the table was lost, and the question recurring on the motion of Mr. Fisher, it was carried.

On motion of Wm. T. Read, Esq., the Missionary and Education Committee was continued.

The 18th Annual Report of the Missionary and Education Committee was then presented by the Bishop, and read by the Secretary, as follows:

# **EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.**

The Receipts of the Treasury of the Committee since the last Report have been as follows, viz:

*From St. John's Church, Brandywine Village.*

Domestic Missions,	-	-	11 52
Foreign "	-	-	14 00
Church at Dover,	-	-	4 18
Diocesan,	-	-	14 90
			<hr/> \$44 60

*. Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.*

Foreign Missions,	-	100 18	
Sunday School for China,		16 00	
		<hr/>	\$116 18
Diocesan—for Dover,		80 00	
" Rev. W. Marshall,		16 62	
" unspecified,		27 06	
		<hr/>	123 68
			<hr/> \$239 86

*St. Andrew's, Wilmington.*

Foreign—Epiphany Collection,		101 32	
Sunday School, for Cape Palmas			
Orphan Asylum,		75 00	
		<hr/>	176 32
Domestic—Adv. Collection,		50 00	50 00
Diocesan for Dover		35 00	
" Lewes,		20 00	
Diocesan,		5 00	
		<hr/>	60 00
			<hr/> \$286 32

*Trinity, Wilmington.*

Diocesan,	-	-	46 37
Domestic	-	-	23 00
			<hr/>
			\$69 37

*Immanuel Church, New Castle.*

For St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	12 50	
Diocesan,	-	61 40	
		<hr/>	
			\$73 90

St. James', Stanton, Foreign,	-	-	11 00
St. James', Newport,	-	-	7 00
<i>St. Thomas', Newark.</i>			
Diocesan,	-	-	65 00
Domestic,	-	-	5 00
Foreign,	-	-	13 00
			<hr/> \$83 00
<i>St. Peter's, Smyrna.</i>			
Diocesan,	-	-	10 00
Sunday School, Diocesan,	-	-	15 00
			<hr/> \$25 00
<i>St. Ann's, Appoquinimink.</i>			
Diocesan,	-	-	10 00
<i>St. Paul's, Georgetown.</i>			
Diocesan,	-	-	10 00
<i>St. Peter's, Lewes.</i>			
Diocesan,	-	-	4 54
<i>St. George's, Indian River.</i>			
Diocesan,	-	-	3 58
Individuals, Diocesan,	-	-	50 00
Collected at Convention, 1859,	-	-	15 81
			<hr/> \$933 98

There have been appropriated :

To Foreign Missions, (as directed by donors)	-	-	\$337 50
“ Domestic “	-	-	89 52
“ Christ Church, Dover,	-	-	119 18
“ St. Peter's Church, Lewes,	-	-	32 50
“ Rev. W. Marshall,	-	-	66 62
“ “ R. J. Keeling,	-	-	100 00
“ “ M. B. Smith,	-	-	50 00
“ “ W. Wright,	-	-	50 00
“ “ J. L. Gay,	-	-	50 00

#### SUMMARY.

Contributions for Foreign Missions,	-	\$337 50
“ “ Domestic “	-	89 52
“ “ Diocesan “	-	506 96
		<hr/> \$933 98

The receipts for Diocesan Missions are believed to be in advance of those of preceding years. The Committee are encouraged to believe that the interest in the Missionary work is deepening and widening. Some of the most successful recent efforts to revive and extend the Church in our Diocese have been very much spontaneous in their character. To witness such endeavors, and so far as is in their power to encourage them, will be highly gratifying to the Committee. The Church at Dover has been revived and improved by an impulse mainly from within. Measures have been taken to extend the privileges of the gospel in a portion of the city of Wilmington where there is very inadequate Church accommodation, through the erection by the congregation of St. Andrew's of Galvary Chapel, the seats of which are free. In these and other enterprises there has been a large outlay by individuals and parishes for Home Missions, which is not embraced, or very partially, in our stated reports. The Committee would suggest as a valuable auxiliary, to those who are laboring to introduce the ministrations of our Church in new places, the Mission service published in the city of New York, at a very cheap rate. Strangers are thereby enabled to engage in our Common Prayer with comparative facility, and incipient congregations can be furnished at a very small cost both with the form of public worship, and with a most valuable and instructive tract.

Renewedly commending the great work of Christian Missions, Foreign and Domestic, General and Local, to the warm sympathies and unstinted charities of our members, the Committee, in closing another annual report, would thank God and take courage.

ALFRED LEE,  
S. C. BRINCKLE,  
B. FRANKLIN,  
JAMES F. WILSON.

Middletown, June 6th, 1860.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT.

It appears from the Parochial Reports that the aggregate of Contributions for Missions during the year, including those embraced in the above statement, and all others, is as follows, viz : from

	<i>Diocesan.</i>	<i>Domestic.</i>	<i>Foreign.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Ascension, Claymont,	15 00	34 61	37 50	87 11
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	21 58	57 67	14 00	93 25
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	202 41	87 06	176 32	465 79
Trinity, "	166 35	536 80	61 03	764 15
Immanuel, New Castle,	195 39	321 53	117 18	634 10
Christ Church, Christiana Hd.,	190 20	115 89	166 18	472 27
St. James', Newport,		14 55	17 75	32 30
St. James', Stanton,		63 00	12 50	75 50
St. Thomas', Newark,	50 00	91 00	66 51	207 51
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	10 00	15 00		25 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	62 04	69 96	19 00	151 00
Christ Church, Dover,	5 70			5 70
St. Paul's, Georgetown,		10 00		10 00
St. Peter's, Lewes, (not specified,)	24 36	10 00	10 00	44 36
St. George's, Indian River,	3 58	1 54	4 61	9 73
St. Mark's, Millsboro,		2 15	71	2 86
Grace, Baltimore Mills,		2 02	1 58	3 60
St. Luke's, Seaford,		4 40		4 40
St. Mark's, Little Creek,		2 42		2 42
St. John's, Little Hill,		1 39		1 39
	<hr/> 922 45	<hr/> 1440 99	<hr/> 704 84	<hr/> 3092 44

The increase of Missionary spirit, as well as the growing ability of the Diocese, may be estimated from the subjoined statement of contributions reported for the past ten years.

1850,	\$577 96	1856,	\$1,215 88
1851,	684 71	1857,	1,720 50
1852,	580 29	1858,	1,252 20
1853,	467 71	1859,	1,620 34
1854,	876 75	1860,	3,092 44
1855,	712 32		

If to the amount reported for the present year be added the sum contributed towards the erection of Calvary Chapel, Wilmington, the aggregate will be \$6,795 98.

The Treasurer of the Episcopal fund, of the Convention fund, and of the fund for the relief of aged and infirm clergymen, presented his report, which was referred to a

committee of three, consisting of Messrs. A. C. Nowland, Clement Reeves and Samuel G. Lodge.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Wright, the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund, the Relief Committee, and the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary were continued.

The Rev. M. B. Smith, Rector of Christ Church, Dover, on behalf of the vestry of said Church, took occasion to thank the parishes of the Diocese for the liberal manner in which they had responded to the resolution of the last Convention.

On motion of the Rev. M. B. Smith, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Wardens and Vestry of St. Ann's Church, for the use of their Church, and to the citizens of Middletown and vicinity, for their kindness and hospitality to the members thereof; and that the Treasurer pay to the Sexton of St. Ann's Church the usual compensation allowed for his attendance during the session of the Convention.

The committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's accounts reported the same correct.

The committee on the second resolution of the Rev. Dr. Clemson, presented the following resolutions which were adopted :

*Resolved*, That one thousand dollars be raised by collections during this year, as a nucleus to a fund for the support of the Episcopate.

*Resolved*, That a committee of nine, one clergyman and two laymen from each county, be appointed to carry out the above resolution, and that they be authorized to invest any such funds coming into their hands.

The Rev. Mr. Franklin offered the following resolution, which, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Smith, was laid on the table :

*Resolved*. That the clergy of this Diocese be required to reside within their missionary or Parochial districts, unless for obvious and sufficient cause excused by the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee.

J. F. Wilson's bill for postage, freight, &c., amounting to \$8.93 was read and allowed.

J. B. Lewis presented a bill, amounting to \$16.35, balance of assessment by the General Convention on the Diocese of Delaware, which was allowed.

On motion of the Rev. M. B. Smith, the Secretary was directed to have 100 additional copies of the Bishop's Charge printed for the use of the Bishop.

There being no further business the Secretary read the minutes which were approved, and the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

Attest,

JAMES F. WILSON, SECRETARY.

# DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

The Right Rev. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Bishop, and President of  
Convention. Residence, Wilmington.

## Standing Committee.

Rev. Charles Breck, *Chairman.*

“ Julius E. Grammer,

“ Robert L. Goldsborough,

Solomon M. Curtis, Esq.,

William T. Read, Esq., *Secretary.*

## Deputies to General Convention.

Rev. Charles Breck,

“ Benjamin Franklin,

“ Julius E. Grammer,

Capt. S. F. du Pont,

Solomon M. Curtis, Esq.,

Wm. T. Read, Esq.,

William M. Cummins, M. D.

## Missionary and Education Committee.

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman.*

Rev. Benjamin Franklin,

“ Samuel C. Brinckle,

James F. Wilson, M. D., *Treasurer,*

George D. Armstrong.

## Relief Committee for the Assistance of Infirm and Disabled Clergymen.

Rev. Charles Breck,

John B. Lewis, Esq., *Treasurer.*

Samuel Baily, Esq.,

## Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.

Hon. Caleb S. Layton,

William T. Read, Esq.,

Hon. Edward Wootten,

Clement Reeves, Esq.,

**Committee on Endowment of Episcopate.**

Rev. Benjamin Franklin,	Geo. W. Cummins, Esq.,
Franklin Fell, Esq.,	Dr. James Mitchell,
James Brown, Esq.,	Rev. J. L. McKim,
Rev. J. E. Grammer,	C. Wright, Esq.,
H. F. Rodney, Esq.	

**Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.**

Rev. Stevens Parker,	Edward G. Bradford, Esq.
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*Treasurer of Convention*—JOHN B. LEWIS, Esq., Wilmington.

*Secretary of Convention*—JAMES F. WILSON, M. D., Wilmington.

# APPENDIX.

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CLAYMONT, BRANDYWINE HUNDRED;  
NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

This parish occupies about the same position as heretofore. The Rector finding it impossible with the onerous cares of a School, to give the necessary attention to pastoral duty, the vestry at his request have elected an Assistant. Mr. Samuel G. Hotchkin, shortly to be ordained, has been selected for the position, and will enter on his duties early in July.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	1
Burials,	-	-	-	2
Confirmed,	-	-	-	4
Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	6
“ Died,	-	-	-	1
“ Removed,	-	-	-	2
“ Whole number,	-	-	-	29
Contributions—Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	\$13 80
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	-	6 00
“ Relief Fund,	-	-	-	12 00
“ American Colonization Society,	-	-	-	6 00
“ Mission to Jews,	-	-	-	13 61
“ General Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	21 00
“ “ Foreign “	-	-	-	37 50
“ Bishop White Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	11 63
“ Church at Dover,	-	-	-	15 00
“ Sunday Schools,	-	-	-	15 00
“ Alms,	-	-	-	55 00
“ Church Book Society, for publishing book,	-	-	-	75 00
“ Other collections,	-	-	-	113 00
Total,	-	-	-	\$394 24

JOHN B. CLEMSON, Rector.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRANDYWINE VILLAGE.

Rev. S. Parker, Rector.

Rev. Jas. Chrystal, Assistant.

Baptisms—Adults,	-	-	-	8
“ Infants,	-	-	-	27—35
Confirmed,	-	-	-	14
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	19
“ Since removed,	-	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	-	14
“ Present number,	-	-	-	32
Marriages,	-	-	-	4
Funerals,	-	-	-	5
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 4, Female 8,				12
“ Scholars—Boys 60, Girls 89,			-	149
Parish School—Scholars, Boys 20, Girls 25,				45
Public Services—On Sundays 115, on other days 192,				307

## OFFERINGS.

Domestic Missions—General,				\$11 52
“ For Bishop Lay, S. W. Mission,				46 15
			—	\$57 67
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	14 00
Diocesan Missions—General,	-	-		\$14 90
“ Special,	-	-		2 50
“ Christ Church, Dover,				4 18
			—	21 58
Bishop's Fund,	-	-	-	16 00
Convention Fund,	-	-	-	8 00
The Poor,	-	-	-	105 17
Aged and infirm Clergy,	-	-	-	10 00
Addition to Sunday School Library,	-	-	-	30 00
Offerings of the S. School children for Church Book Society,				57 08
Christmas Festival,	-	-	-	45 00
Offerings for Parochial purposes,	-	-	-	1382 33
			—	
Total,	-	-	-	\$1746 83

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, Rector. Rev. George A. Strong, Assistant.

Baptisms—Infants, 30 ; Adults, 4.	Total,	-	-	34
Confirmed,	-	-	-	16
Communicants—Deceased,	-	-	-	4
“ Removed,	-	-	-	14
“ Suspended,	-	-	-	1
“ Dropped from the list,	-	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	-	24
“ Present number,	-	-	-	225
Marriages,	-	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	-	22

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

No. 1—Teachers, Male 17, Female 31.	Total,	-	48
“ Scholars, “ 162, “ 249.	“	-	411
No. 2—Calvary Chapel,			
Teachers, Male 11, Female 11.	Total,	-	22
Scholars, “ 61, “ 139.	“	-	200
No. 3—Robert Smith (colored school,)			
Teachers, Male 5, Female 23.	Total,	-	28
Scholars, “ 156, “ 152.	“	-	308
Schools, 3—Teachers, Male 33, Female 65.	Total,	-	98
Scholars, “ 379, “ 540.	“	-	919

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan, \$70 39 ; Domestic, \$50 00 ; Foreign, \$101 32,

Offerings of Sunday Schools,

Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum,	-	-	75 00
Calvary Chapel,	-	-	109 34
Rev. Mr. Campbell, Iowa,	-	-	37 06
Other objects,	-	-	22 68
			<hr/> 244 08
Total for Missions,	-	-	465 79
Charitable—Clergy Relief Fund,	-	-	50 00
“ Communion Alms,	-	-	65 00
“ Dorcas Society,	-	-	60 00
			<hr/> 175 00

Evangelical Knowledge Society, -	-	43 44	
Delaware State Bible Society,	-	20 00	
		<hr/>	63 44
Episcopate, \$111 00; Convention, \$15 00,	-		126 00
Extinguishment of Debt,	-		421 00
Erection of Calvary Chapel, lot valued at	-	1400 00	
Amount of subscriptions and donations, less \$109 34			
from Sunday Schools reported above,		2240 10	
		<hr/>	3640 10
			<hr/>
			\$4891 33
(Not including current expenses.)			
Services on Sundays, about	-		140
“ other days, “	-		80
			<hr/>
			230

The Rev. Marshall B. Smith resigned his office as assistant minister in July, 1859, thus terminating a connection that had been truly acceptable to the Parish. We have been since favored in obtaining the services of the Rev. George A. Strong, who entered upon his duties as assistant minister October 1st.

One of the matters of chiefest interest in our Parochial annals has been the erection and occupancy of Calvary Chapel, the fruit of the Mission commenced, in 1858, in Front Street. A very eligible lot, measuring 70 feet front by 140 deep, corner of Washington and Third streets, was presented by parishioners of St. Andrew's. The building was commenced about the first of August, and opened for divine service October 30th. It is built of brick, 60 feet by 34, containing 64 pews and seating about 250 persons. There is a commodious well-lighted basement, occupied by the Sunday School, of nearly the same capacity as the Church. The interior is neatly fitted up, and has been furnished with font, chairs, pulpit hangings, bible, prayer book and clock, by the liberality of various friends, many of them workmen in the shops of Harlan, Hollingsworth & Co. The total cost of the Chapel, including the lot, is \$5,164 00.

Services are held each Sunday afternoon, with a generally full attendance. The enterprise will, it is trusted, be fruitful of blessings,

both to its founders and benefactors, and to those who from year to year shall enjoy its privileges.

ALFRED LEE.

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TRINITY PARISH, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Adults 8, Infants 73,	-	-	81
Confirmed, "	-	-	22
Communicants—Died,	-	-	5
" Removed,	-	-	24
" Added,	-	-	80
" Present number,	-	-	180
Marriages,	-	-	20
Burials,	-	-	87
Sunday Schools,	-	-	1
Teachers,	-	-	35
Scholars,	-	-	320
Public services on Sundays,	-	-	109
" other days,	-	-	114
Total services,	-	-	223

The Treasurer's Report exhibits the following account :

Communion Alms,	-	-	\$177 61
Parish Library,	-	-	80 23
Repairs of Chapel and Church property,	-	-	155 64
Current expenses,	-	-	1435 44
Incidental,	-	-	406 79
Interest,	-	-	72 00
Episcopate,	-	-	89 50
Convention Fund,	-	-	15 00
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	66 37
Repair of Church at Dover,	-	-	50 00
Domestic Missions,	-	-	70 00
Church Book Society,	-	-	50 00
Warsau, Wisconsin,	-	-	20 00
Faribault Mission, Rev. J. L. Breck,	-	-	33 22

From the Ladies Benevolent Association and the children of the Sunday School, for White and Red Fields,	350 00
Foreign Missions,	50 00
Sunday School offerings—Diocesan,	49 98
Domestic Missions,	10 25
Nashotah,	10 00
Faribault,	10 33
Bishop Lay,	20 00
Olympia, Oregon,	13 00
Foreign Missions,	11 00
Total,	<u>\$3246 36</u>

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

#### IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE.

Baptisms—Infants, 4 ; Adults, 5. Total,	9
Confirmed,	30
Communicants—Added, by removal,	6
“ “ new,	33
“ Removed,	4
“ Deceased,	4
“ Present number,	107
Marriages,	3
Burials,	7
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 3 ; Female, 7. Total,	10
“ Scholars— “ 32 ; “ 45. “	77

The increase of the congregation and signs of further growth require an enlargement of the Church, which the Vestry have resolved to make. It is expected that the work will be completed this summer.

Services in Church and Sunday School as previously reported.

Contributions—Alms,	\$120 66
“ Missions, Foreign,	117 18
“ “ Domestic,	132 32
“ “ Diocesan,	73 90

Contributions—Church building, Warsaw, Wis.,	-	51 00
“ “ “ Christ Church, Dover,		121 49
“ Nashotah, -	-	66 51
“ “ box of clothing, value,		60 00
„ Faribault, S. S. Christmas offering, -	-	11 70
“ Disabled Clergy (paid \$50) -	-	65 42
“ Parish Library, -	-	12 13
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		\$832 31

B. FRANKLIN, Rector.

CHRIST CHURCH, CHRISTIANA HUNDRED.

Baptisms—Infants, -	-	-	-	25
Confirmed, -	-	-	-	10
Communicants—Removed, -	-	-	-	9
“ Lost or withdrawn, -	-	-	-	4
“ Added, -	-	-	-	16
“ Present number, -	-	-	-	108
Marriages, -	-	-	-	3
Funerals, -	-	-	-	14
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 1 ; Female, 13. Total,			-	14
“ Scholars— “ 79 ; “ 81. “			-	160
Young Men’s Bible Class—Teacher, 1 ; Pupils, -			-	14
Contributions—Missions, Diocesan, -		\$190 20		
“ “ Domestic, -		115 89		
“ “ Foreign, -		166 18		
“ Total, -	-	-	\$472 27	
“ Communion Alms, -	-	-	37 56	
“ Episcopal Fund, -	-	-	52 50	
“ Convention Fund, -	-	-	15 00	
“ Clergy Relief Fund, -	-	-	20 25	
“ Sunday School, -	-	-	26 93	
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Total, -	-	-	-	\$624 51
Public Services—On Sundays, 106 ; other days, 13. Total,				119

S. C. BRINCKLE.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEWPORT.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	7
Communicants—Number last reported,	-	-	-	-	4
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	5
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	2
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	\$14	55
“ Foreign,	-	-	-	8	50
“ Sunday School offering to China Mission,	-	-	-	9	25
“ Infirm Clergy,	-	-	-	1	50
“ Episcopal and Convention Fund,	-	-	-	7	00
“ Other purposes,	-	-	-	30	92
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Total,	-	-	-	-	\$71 72
Services—Sundays, 52 ; other days, 4.	Total,				56

Our Sunday School has been in a flourishing state until within a few weeks past, during which time the attendance has been very irregular, by reason of another Sunday School being open in the neighborhood at the same hour; but we hope soon to recover our usual good order and regularity. During the past year we have also suffered a severe loss in the removal of some of our best and most beloved teachers; our prayers and sympathies follow them. “All these things are against us,” but we pray that they may work together for our good; and that the seeming evils may eventuate in abundant blessings.

Although the last year has been one of trial to our little Church, yet we rejoice to say it has also been one of encouragement. We have had many blessed indications of God's presence with us, and we trust soon to see our beloved Zion in prosperity. We sow the good seed with faith and hope renewed, looking to the Lord of the harvest for the increase.

The friends of this parish with their accustomed liberality have furnished us the means of putting our little Church into good repair; new seats, carpet and a beautiful stone font have been procured; good horse-shedding has also been erected.

The Rector of St. James' here presents his grateful thanks to his

friends and parishioners, at Newport, for their present of a handsome family carriage. May their generosity be richly rewarded.

WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEAR STANTON.

Baptisms—Adults, 8; Infants, 3. Total,	-	-	11
Confirmed,	-	-	5
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	13
“ Added,	-	-	9
“ Died,	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	20
Marriages, -	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	11
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	6
“ Scholars,	-	-	45
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	\$63 00	
“ Foreign,	-	12 50	
“ Communion offerings,	-	46 52	
“ Infirm Clergy,	-	3 50	
“ Episcopal and Convention Fund,	-	11 50	
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		\$137 02	

Public Services—Sundays, 52; other days, 6. Total, 58

We feel truly thankful to be able to report this parish in a flourishing condition—united in bonds of holy love and Christian sympathy. Our congregations are good and enter heartily into the spirit of our services; their faith is beginning to produce its blessed fruits of good works done for Christ and his Church; and they show their love not so much by their words as by their deeds.

Old St. James' was for many years in a drooping state, and the hearts of her faithful few mourned sore over her desolation; but now their tears are turned into thanksgiving, as they see the hand of the Lord raising her from the dust, and his work reviving within her. May she go on in the strength of her God and prosper.

During the past year, our Chancel has been enlarged, and a very beautiful Bible, prayer book and stone font have been placed therein by the liberality of our friends.

Additional ground has been added to the grave-yard and substantially walled in with stone; flowers, shrubbery, &c., have been planted, making it highly ornamental, as well as suitable for its solemn purpose.

Shedding for twelve horses has been also built, and the vestry have kindly purchased a horse for the use of the Rector.

About eight hundred dollars have been paid by the parish during the past year for these and other improvements.

WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEWARK.

Annual report of the working of this Parish since last Convention :

Baptisms—Adults, 6 ; infants, 14. Total,	-	-	20
Confirmed,	-	-	9
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	37
“ Added in the year,	-	-	9
“ Removed,	-	-	5
“ Present number,	-	-	41
Marriages,	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	3
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 3 ; Female, 6. Total,	-	-	9
“ Scholars—White Male 30, White Female 24,	-	-	54
“ “ Colored “ 10, Colored “ 7,	-	-	17
Total number of Scholars,	-	-	71
Contributions—Missions, Diocesan,	\$50	00	
“ “ Domestic,	91	00	
		141	00
“ Foreign, (S. S. offering \$20 88)	66	51	
			207 51
Communion Alms,	-	-	56 79
Fund for Disabled Clergymen,	-	-	15 00
E. K. S. Donation and publications,	-	-	14 60
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	18 50
Convention Fund,	-	-	8 00
Additions to the Rectory,	-	-	101 00
			\$213 89
			\$421 40

Public Services—Sundays, 75 ; other days, 56. Total, 131

We have reason to be thankful for Divine blessings during the past year. We have grown in numbers, and, I trust, in grace. The Missionary tone of the Parish is encouraging, and our contributions more than double those of last year. May the Great Head of the Church abide continually with us, until we come to His everlasting kingdom.

R. J. KEELING, Rector.

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CHRIST CHURCH, DELAWARE CITY.

Baptisms—Adult, 1 ; Infants, 4. Total,	-	-	5
Confirmed,	-	-	5
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	12
“ Added,	-	-	5
“ Present number,	-	-	17
Contributions—Episcopal Fund,	-	\$6 00	
“ Other purposes,	-	250 00	
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Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 2 ; Female, 4. Total,			6
“ Scholars, “ 20 ; “ 41. “			61

Public Services, 23—alternate Sabbath afternoons.

The general aspect of this Parish is encouraging. The congregational attendance is large, and I think a good feeling for the Church is manifested. Where ground has been so long and so thoroughly pre-occupied, as is this case, time will be required to give the Church a permanent footing. I am encouraged to believe that quite a number, “almost persuaded,” will be in readiness at the next Episcopal visitation to take upon them the Christian vow, and become thoroughly identified with the number of Christ’s faithful people.

The Sunday School is flourishing under the faithful labor of an efficient Superintendent, and will tell happily in the future growth of the Church.

R. J. KEELING, Rector.

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ST. ANN’S PARISH, APPOQUINIMINK.

Baptisms—Adults, 13 ; Infants, 48. Total,	-	-	61
Confirmed—White, 7 ; Colored, 2. Total,	-	-	9

Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	52
“ Since removed,	-	-	9
“ Dropped,	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	11
“ Present number,	-	-	52
Marriages,	-	-	6
Funerals,	-	-	3
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	6
“ Scholars,	-	-	40
Contributions—Missions, Diocesan,	-	\$10 00	
“ “ Domestic,	-	15 00	
“ “ Total,	-	—	\$25 00
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	26 00	
“ Convention “	-	10 00	
“ Clergy Relief,	-	21 00	
“ Parochial purposes, including			
Rector's salary,	-	680 00	
“ Other purposes,	-	100 00	
Total,	-	—	\$837 00
Public Services—On Sundays,	-	-	72
“ Holy and fasting days,	-	-	86
Total,	-	-	158

The children of the Parish are catechised in Church, from time to time.

ROBERT L. GOLDSBOROUGH, Rector.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA.

Baptisms—Adult, 1; Infants, 10. Total,	-	-	11
Confirmed,	-	-	4
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	40
“ Since removed,	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	7
“ Present number,	-	-	46
Marriages,	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	8
Sunday School, Teachers—Male, 10; Female, 14. Total,	-	-	24
“ Scholars,			130

Contributions—Missions, Diocesan,	-	\$15 00	
“ “ Foreign,	-	19 00	
“ Easter, Sunday School, offering,		69 96	
“ Total for Missions,	-	————	103 96
“ Communion Alms,	-		33 16
“ Episcopal Fund,	-		20 00
“ Convention Fund, (for two years,)			16 00
“ Disabled Clergymen,	-		20 00
“ Church at Dover,	-		47 04
“ Colonization Society,	-		10 00
“ For Sunday School,	-		12 27
“ Current expenses,	-		71 00
“ From Ladies’ Benevolent Society,			22 34
“ “ Ladies’ Church Aid Society,	-		50 10
“ For other purposes,	-		31 00
			————
			\$436 87

The Church has been open for service every Sunday during the past year. The Rector has preached one hundred and eight sermons, besides having held public services for devotion and lectures every Thursday evening. Especial services were held during Lent and preparatory to Confirmation—together with monthly addresses to the Communicants and Sunday School teachers in meetings for private devotion. The children of the Parish are catechised and a sermon is preached to them, the afternoon of the first Sunday in each month, when the Sacrament of Baptism is administered to infants.

The Vestry are still improving the cemetery grounds which were purchased last year.

As soon as they secure suitable lots, it is earnestly desired for the good of the Parish that they will erect a Sunday School room and a parsonage.

The ladies of the “Church Aid Society,” have contributed to Domestic missions a box containing fifty articles of clothing.

In reviewing the labors of the past year, the undersigned acknowledges the blessing which has rested upon the Parish, and his heart has been cheered by the earnest efforts of his people to co-ope-

rate with him in every work of charity. He would acknowledge here the many offices of affection and kindness which he has received from his parishioners, and not least the present of books from the Ladies' Church Aid Society. During the absence of the Rector, at the meeting of the General Convention, Rev. Marshall B. Smith, of Dover, very kindly consented to officiate in St. Peter's Church.

JULIUS E. GRAMMER, Rector.

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CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER.

Communicants—(Sept. 1st, 1859,) -	-	-	2
“ Added, -	-	-	7
“ Removed, -	-	-	4
“ Present number, -	-	-	5
Marriage, -	-	-	1
Burial, -	-	-	1
Public Services, on Sundays and other days, -	-	-	60
Holy Communion administered on the third Sunday of each month.			
Contributions—Episcopal Fund, -	-	\$5 00	
“ Convention Fund, -	-	5 00	
“ Calvary Chapel, Wilmington, -	-	5 70	
“ Disabled Clergymen, -	-	4 00	
“ Bishop White Prayer Book Society, -	-	5 00	
“ Kent Co. Bible Society, -	-	9 26	
“ Other purposes, -	-	13 07	
“ Repairing and furnishing Church, &c., (in addition to the amount subscribed for that purpose by other Parishes and by individuals) 1958 14			
“ Total, -	-	—————	\$2005 17

My connection with this Parish dates from Sept. 1st, 1859, at which time I found it in a rather unpromising condition. The limited character of the parochial statistics this year is mainly owing to the fact, that there has been no resident Rector here for many years. We trust that future reports will be more encouraging. For obvious reasons I have not as yet been able to establish a Sunday School, nor

is it probable, that there will be material for one, for some time to come.

Several of our sister Parishes have liberally responded to the call made at the last Convention, and have contributed towards the repairs of the church, as follows :

Immanuel, New Castle,	-	-	-	\$121 49
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	-	80 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	-	-	50 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	-	47 04
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	-	35 00
Ascension, Claymont,	-	-	-	15 00
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	-	-	-	4 18

We have also received the following sums from individuals not resident in the Parish :

Mr. C. I. du Pont,	-	-	-	50 00
Dr. G. Emerson,	-	-	-	50 00
Rev. G. W. Ridgely,	-	-	-	25 00
Messrs. Biddle,	-	-	-	25 00
Gov. Burton,	-	-	-	10 00
J. S. Buckmaster,	-	-	-	5 00
Vincent L. Bradford,	-	-	-	5 00

Miss A. Brinckle, am't collected towards the purchase of an organ, - - - - 85 00

Total am't received from Churches and individuals, \$607 21

To Mrs. Capt. du Pont and Mrs. Smith of Christiana Hundred, we are indebted for a handsome Stone Font, and to Mrs. Jane Hamilton, of Philadelphia, for Bibles and Prayer Books for the Chancel.

The total cost of repairing and furnishing, frescoing, organ, &c., was \$2,565.35; of which amount, after deducting the sum contributed as above, there was left a balance of \$1,958.14 which has been paid by the vestry.

The present renovated edifice was occupied for the first time on Sunday, January 15th, 1860. An instrument of ample compass and exquisite tone has been placed in the gallery, and the interest of the service is greatly enhanced by the voices of an efficient and well trained choir.

The Glebe, having been for many years a source of little or no revenue, and not likely, without a considerable outlay, to yield much for many years to come, was sold, early in the Spring, to a gentleman in Dover for \$3000; there being no legal obstructions in the way of its sale. The Church debt was paid, and the Church was consecrated on Ascension day, May 17th, 1860.

While the Church was being repaired, services were held on Sunday afternoon, in the Presbyterian Church, which was kindly loaned us by the Pastor and Elders for that purpose.

The Parish is now fully re-organized, with an efficient Vestry, and a good house of worship. The attendance is good in the morning and quite large in the afternoon; and there is little or no opposition to the services and work of the Church. To be successful, we need the quickening influences of the Holy Ghost. May God in his own time and way grant us this unspeakable gift.

M. B. SMITH, Rector.

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CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	8
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	1
Communicant—Added,	-	-	-	-	3
“ Died,	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	16
Contributions—Fund for disabled Clergy	-			\$6 00	
“ Bishop White Prayer Book Society,				3 00	
“ Convention Fund,	-			5 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-			7 50	
				<hr/> \$21 50	
Public Services—Sundays, 25; other days, 2. Total,					27

The Vestry of this Church have taken measures for a thorough repair and improvement of the building, contemplating an outlay of \$1500 to \$2000. This improvement, it is believed, will conduce very decidedly to the welfare of the Parish, by enlarging the capacity of the Church and rendering it more convenient and comfortable. The work is designed to be finished before the winter.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	3
Communicants—Present number,	-	-	-	16
Marriages,	-	-	-	9
Funerals,	-	-	-	2
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	8
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	50
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-		\$10 00	
“ Fund for Disabled Clergy,	-		6 00	
“ Convention Fund,	-		10 00	
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	8 00	
Total,			—————	\$34 00
Public Services—Sundays, 26 ; other days, 5. Total,				31

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

LEWES, DEL., June 4th, 1860.

*Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D.*

Having received a call to the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, I accepted the same, and entered upon my duties on the 13th May last. Under the able hands of those preceding me, the Parish has grown steadily and surely. I earnestly pray Almighty God to bless my efforts also in the same field. The present report extends, during the conventional year, from June 1859 to June 1860, and shows the labors of the Rev. George Alex. Crooke, now Rector of St. John's, Philadelphia, and the Rev. Edwin B. Chase, now removed to Marblehead, Mass. The latter fulfilled the duties of the Rectorship during the two months preceding my arrival.

Baptisms—Infants, 9 ; Adults, 3 ; Total,	-	-	12
Number of Families, 51 ; number of individuals,	-		162
Confirmations,	-	-	6
Communicants,	-	-	38
Marriage,	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	2
Sunday Schools, White—Teachers, 12 ; pupils,		-	60
“ Colored, 8 ;		-	40

Offerings—General Church purposes,	-	\$591 17
“ Foreign Missions,	-	10 00
“ Domestic, “	-	10 00
“ Sunday School, white,	-	18 52
“ “ “ colored,	-	5 84

GEO. SEYMOUR LEWIS, Rector.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, INDIAN RIVER, AND CHAPEL OF THE COMFORTER, LONG NECK.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	10
Communicants—Removed,	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	17
Marriages,	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	5
Sunday Schools, 2 ; Teachers—male, 2 ; female, 5,			7
“ Scholars, say,	-	-	50
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	-	\$3 58	
“ Foreign Missions,	-	4 61	
“ Child's Paper,	-	2 11	
“ Church expenses,	-	8 30	
“ Disabled Clergy,	-	2 17	
“ Domestic Missions,	-	1 54	
“ Poor,	-	3 77	
“ Convention Fund,	-	5 00	
“ Current expenses for year 1859,	-	70 18	
			\$101 26

Public Services in the Parish, 66.

WM. WRIGHT, Rector.

ST. MARK'S, MILLSBORO.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	2
Confirmed,	-	-	1
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	5
“ Added,	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	7
Funerals,	-	-	1

Sunday School—Teachers, Female,	-	-	2
“ Scholars,	-	-	15
Contributions—Missions, Domestic,	-	\$2 15	
“ “ Foreign,	-	71	
“ Clergy Relief Fund,	-	1 45	
“ Convention Fund,	-	7 50	
“ Current expenses for year 1859,	-	10 00	
“ Total,	-	—\$21 81	

Public Services—Sundays, 21; other days, 3.

WM. WRIGHT.

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GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE MILLS.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	5
“ Present number,	-	-	-	5
Marriages,	-	-	-	1
Contributions—Missions, Domestic,	-	-	\$2 02	
“ “ Foreign,	-	-	1 58	
“ Clergy relief fund,	-	-	1 40	
“ Current expenses for year 1859,	-	-	15 25	
			—\$20 25	

Public Services, - - - 22

In addition to the above I have held services at Dagsboro, to the colored people at Lewes, and occasionally by request in St. Peter's, Lewes, in all 37 services.

WM. WRIGHT.

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ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SEAFORD.

Baptisms—Adults, 1; Infants, 11. Total,	-	-	12
Confirmed,	-	-	3
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	28
“ Removed,	-	-	3
“ Suspended,	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	4
“ Present number,	-	-	28
Marriages,	-	-	4
Funerals,	-	-	3

Sunday School—Scholars,	-	-	-	40
“ Teachers,	-	-	-	8
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	\$4	40
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	6	00
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	14	00
“ The Poor,	-	-	3	00
“ Other purposes,	-	-	9	71
“ By the Ladies Supper,	-	-	50	00
				—————\$87 11

Sunday services now once in two weeks, but throughout the winter and spring, once every Sunday, with week-day services about 25 times. Attendance good, prospects rather hopeful, though we have lost some of our strength by removals, and by the changes and chances of commercial life. For the first time in the history of the parish we can now say that the parish is out of debt.

J. L. GAY.

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CHRIST CHURCH, BROAD CREEK, INCLUDING ST. PHILIP'S CHAPEL,  
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Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	1
Confirmed,	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	16
“ Removed,	-	-	-	4
“ Added,	-	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	-	14
Funerals,	-	-	-	1
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	-	\$5	00
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	6	90
“ Other purposes,	-	-	5	00

Sunday services at the Chapel every alternate Sunday, at Christ Church, 3 times; on week days at the Chapel, 5 times.

J. L. GAY, Rector.

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ST. MARK'S, LITTLE CREEK HUNDRED.

Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	21
“ Should be omitted as is believed,	-	-	5
“ Present number,	-	-	16

Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	\$2 42
“ Convention Fund,	-	3 25

Public services once every two weeks on Sundays for six months past; on other days four times. Attendance small at first, still variable, but on the whole increasing and prospects somewhat hopeful.

J. L. GAY, Rector.

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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LITTLE HILL.

Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	37
“ True number as is believed,	-	-	. 32
Marriages,	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	1
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	\$8 00	
“ Domestic Missions,	-	1 39	
“ For Prayer Books,	-	1 10	
		—	\$10 49

Public services once in two weeks on Sundays, and on four other days. Attendance rather good and increasing.

J. L. GAY, Rector.

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REPORT OF REV. JAMES CHRYSTAL ASSISTANT MINISTER OF ST.  
JOHN'S CHURCH, BRANDYWINE.

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:*—The undersigned entered upon his duties as Assistant Minister of St. John's, Brandywine, July 21, 1859.

He has preached forty-three times, has read wholly or in part one hundred and twenty-five services, has assisted in the Holy Communion twelve times and has baptized one adult.

At St. Georges Station, Del., he has held service six times and preached five times, (included above) and has baptized two children. The Sunday School at that place numbers five teachers and forty scholars.

JAMES CHRYSTAL.

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REPORT OF ASSISTANT MINISTER OF ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,  
WILMINGTON.

I entered upon my duties October 9, 1859; have preached, since then, in St. Andrew's Church and in Calvary Chapel, 37 times; and

in other Churches, 18 times ; read service, in whole or part, each Sunday ; assisted in the Holy Communion, and officiated at two funerals.

GEORGE A. STRONG, Assistant.

June 16th, 1860.

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*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :—*From Christmas until the beginning of Lent I officiated regularly at Lewes during the vacancy of that Parish, and at other times I have preached occasionally as the opportunity has been afforded me.

Yours, &c.

DAVID MAC ILVAINE.

May 25th, 1860.

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In November last, owing to the ill health of my family, I removed from Delaware to Baltimore ; and have since officiated as a temporary Chaplain, at the suggestion of the Bishop of Maryland, at the Church Home and Infirmary, and until the institution of the Revenue Warden thereof into his interesting cure and charge. I have also assisted the Rectors of Trinity, St. Andrew's and Christ Churches, in the eastern part of Baltimore, and have officiated elsewhere from time to time. During these months, I have read prayers 80 times, and in part 36 times, preached 60 times, lectured 14 times, baptized 3 infants and 6 adults, administered the Holy Communion 13 times, and assisted in its administration 6 times, administered it to the sick once, used the office for "the Visitation of the Sick," 5 times ; and that for "the Burial of the Dead," 4 times. I am now serving in the Church as Chaplain at the Patapsco Female Institute, Ellicott's Mills, Md., an educational establishment deserving and commanding the highest regard, not only for its excellent instruction and care of its pupils, but also for its interest in their spiritual welfare. Present number of pupils, 132. Officers and teachers, 24. This report is to the 6th June, the day of the assembling of the Convention of Delaware, though my canonical residence for a few weeks past has been in Maryland.

S. R. SLACK, Presbyter.

*To the Right Reverend the Bishop of Delaware.*

Baltimore, June 6th, 1860.

The following is the amount of Assessment on each Parish in the Diocese for the support of the Episcopate, which is to be remitted annually to the Treasurer of the Convention, in accordance with Canon XV.

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	14 50
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	-	16 00
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	112 50
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	90 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	54 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	53 50
St. James,' Newport,	-	2 50
St. James', Stanton,	-	10 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	20 50
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	8 50
St. Ann's, Middletown,	-	26 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	23 00
Christ Church, Dover,	-	2 50
Christ Church, Milford,	-	8 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	8 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	19 00
St. George's Church, Indian River, and Chapel of Com-		
forter, Long Neck,	-	8 50
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	-	3 50
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	-	2 50
St. John's, Little Hill,	-	16 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Phillip's Chapel,		
Laurel,	-	7 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	14 00
St. Mark's, Little Hundred,	-	8 00

The following table exhibits the sum which each Parish is required to contribute to the Convention Fund, in accordance with Canon X.

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	6 00
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	-	8 00
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	15 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	15 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	15 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	15 00
St. James', Newport,	-	5 00
St. James', Stanton,	-	5 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	10 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	5 00
St. Ann's, Middletown,	-	10 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	10 00
Christ Church, Milford,	-	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	6 00
St. George's Church, Indian River, and Chapel of the Com-		
forter, Long Neck,	-	5 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	-	5 00
Grace, Baltimore Mills,	-	5 00
St. John's, Little Hill,	-	8 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Phillip's Chapel,		
Laurel,	-	5 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	6 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,	-	6 00
Christ Church, Dover,	-	5 00

# ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—1860.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	BAPTISMS.			COMMUNICANTS.						SUNDAY SCHOOLS							
	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Lost.	Added.	Present No.	Marriages.	Funerals.	Male.	Female.	Total.	TEACHERS		SCHOLARS.
															Male.	Female.	
Ascension Church, Claymont,	1		1	4	1	2		6	29	4	2	4	8	12	60	89	149
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	27	8	35	14		1		14	82		5	4					
St. Andrews, Wilmington,	80	4	84	16	4	14	2	24	225	8	22	38	65	98	379	540	919
Trinity Church,	73	8	81	22	6	24		30	180	20	37			85			820
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	4	5	9	30	4	4		39	107	8	7	8	7	10	82	46	77
Christ Church, Christians Hundred,	25		25	10		9	4	16	108	8	14	1	13	14	79	81	160
St. James', Newport,	7		7	2				1	5	2				6			45
St. James', Stanton,	8		11	5	2			9	20	2	11		6	9	40	81	71
St. Thomas', Newark,	14	6	20	9		5		9	41	2	8	3	6	6	20	41	61
Christ Church, Delaware City,	4	1	5	5		9	2	11	52	6	3	2	4	6			40
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	48	18	61	9		1		7	46	2	8	10	14	24			130
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	10	1	11	4		4		7	5	1	1						
Christ Church, Dover,	8		8	2	1			3	16		2			8			50
Christ Church, Milford,	8		8						13	9	2			20			100
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	9	3	12	6					38	1	5	2	5	7			50
St. Peter's, Lewes,	10		10	1		2		2	17	8	1			2			15
St. George's, Ind. Riv., & Chapel of the Comforter,	2		2						7					8			
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	2		2						6	1							
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	11	1	12	3		8		4	28	4	8						40
St. Luke's, Seaford,	1		1	2		4		2	14		1						
Christ Ch., Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel,									16								
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,									82	3	1			5			40
St. John's, Little Hill,																	
New Castle County, Rev. J. Obryetal.	2		2														
Total.	294	68	362	144	17	82	18	180	1056	69	126	58	122	270	610	827	2267

# ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS, 1860.—CONTRIBUTIONS.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	MISSIONS.			CHARITABLE			OTHER EXPENSES.					
	Diocesan	Domestic	Foreign	Total	Clergy Relief.	Alms, &c.	Episcopate.	Convention.	Parochial Purposes.	Current Expenses.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ascension Ch., Claymont,	\$ 15 00	\$ 84 61	\$ 87 50	\$ 87 11	\$ 12 00	\$ 55 00	\$ 18 50	\$ 6 00	\$ 128 00	not rep'd	\$ 92 68	\$ 394 24
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	21 58	57 67	14 00	98 25	10 00	105 17	16 00	8 00	75 00	1,882 38	57 08	1,746 88
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	202 41	87 06	176 82	465 79	50 00	125 00	111 00	15 00	421 00	not rep'd	8,708 64	4,891 38
Trinity Church,	166 85	586 80	81 00	764 15		177 61	89 50	15 00	714 66	1,435 44	50 00	8,246 86
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	195 39	821 53	117 18	634 10	65 42	120 80	52 50	15 00	12 13	not rep'd		882 81
Christ Church, Christiansa Hd	190 20	116 89	166 18	472 27	20 25	37 56	2 00	5 00	26 98	"		624 51
St. James', Newport,		14 55	17 75	32 30	1 50	46 52	6 50	5 00	30 92	"		71 72
St. James', Stanton,		63 00	12 50	75 50	8 50	56 79	18 50	8 00	101 00	"	14 60	187 08
St. Thomas', Newark,	50 00	91 00	68 51	207 51	15 00		6 00		250 00	"		421 46
Christ Church, Delaware City,									680 00	"	100 00	250 00
St. Ann's, Appaquimink,	10 00	15 00		25 00	21 00	83 16	28 00	10 00	84 71	71 00	41 00	837 00
St. Peter's, Swyrna,	62 04	69 96	19 00	151 00	20 00		20 00	16 00	1,958 14	not rep'd	27 38	488 87
Christ Church, Dover,	5 70			5 70	4 00		5 00	5 00		"	8 00	2,005 17
Christ Church, Milford,					6 00		7 50	5 00		"		21 50
St. Paul's, Georgetown,		10 00		10 00	6 00		8 00	10 00	591 17	"		84 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,		10 00	10 00	44 86	2 17	3 77		5 00		"	2 11	685 53
St. George's, Ind Riv, & Chapel,	8 58	1 54	4 61	9 78	1 45			7 60		78 48		101 26
St. Mark's, Millsboro,		2 15	71	2 86	1 40					10 00		21 81
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,		2 02	1 58	3 60						15 25		20 25
St. Luke's, Sanford,		4 40		4 40		3 00	14 00	6 00	59 71			87 11
Christ Ch, Br'd Creek, & Chapel,		2 42		2 42			6 00	5 00	6 00			16 90
St. Mark's, Little Creek,		1 89		1 89				3 25			1 10	5 67
St. John's, Little Hill,								8 00				10 49
Total,	\$922 25	\$1,440 90	\$704 84	\$8,092 44	\$289 69	\$764 24	\$402 90	\$157 75	\$5,188 87	\$2,992 50	\$4,092 89	\$16,855 28

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer of the Fund for Disabled Clergy of the  
Diocese of Delaware.*

			DR.	CR.
1859.	By balance due Treasurer at last Convention,			23 57
June 3,	To cash from C. D. Howell, Esq.,	5 00		
" 20,	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,	15 00		
" 22,	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford,	4 17		
" "	" " St. Philip's Church, Laurel,	3 53		
" "	" " St. Mark's Church, Little Creek Hd.	1 01		
July 8,	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	20 25		
" 22,	" " St. John's Church, Little Hill,	1 94		
" "	" " Christ Church, Broad Creek,	1 83		
" "	" " St. Mark's, Millsboro.	1 45		
" "	" " Grace Church Baltimore Mills,	1 40		
" "	" " St. Georges', Indian River,	1 91		
" "	" " Chapel of the Comforter Long Neck,	1 26		
" "	" " Other sources,	4 98		
Aug. 3,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq.,	5 00		
" 8,	" " " "	5 00		
" 12,	" " Christ Church, Milford,	6 00		
" "	" " St. Paul's Church Georgetown,	6 00		
" "	" " Individuals for Rent.	7 00		
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna	20 00		
" "	" " Christ Church, Delaware City,	3 00		
" 15,	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes	6 00		
" "	" " A family of St. Peter's Church,	1 00		
" 23,	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,	37 87		
" 24,	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,	21 00		
" 31,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq.,	5 00		
Sept. 9,	" " St. James', Stanton,	3 50		
" "	" " " " Newport,	1 50		
" "	" " Dr. Odenheimer.	10 00		
Oct. 11,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq.,	5 00		
Nov. 2,	" " " "	5 00		
" 30,	" " " "	5 00		
Dec. 14	" " St. John's Ch., Brandywine Village,	10 00		
" 23,	" " Capt. S. F. DuPont by Rev. C. Breck	10 00		
" 28,	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle.	12 13		
" 31,	" " C. D. Howell Esq.,	5 00		
1860.				
Jan. 21,	" " Rev. Dr. Wilmer by Rev. C. Breck.	20 00		
Feb. 5,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq.,	5 00		
Mar. 3,	" " " "	5 00		
" 22,	" " Christ Church, Dover,	4 00		
April 6,	" " C. D Howell, Esq.,	5 00		
May 5,	" " " "	5 00		
" 31,	" " " "	5 00		
	" " St. Andrew's Church,	50 00		
	" " A. Lee,	19 00		
	By cash paid to and for the Rev. Corry Chambers since last Convention,			382 69
	Forward,	\$369 73		\$406 26

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer of the fund for Disabled Clergy of the  
Diocese of Delaware.*

		DR.	CR.
1860.	Amount brought forward,	\$369 73	\$406 26
June 6,	To amount due the Treasurer,	36 53	
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		\$406 26	\$406 26
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	Balance due the Treasurer,		36 53
	Amount raised out of the Diocese.	95 00	
	"    "    in the Diocese,	274 73	
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		\$369 73	

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer in account with the Episcopal Fund of the  
Diocese of Delaware.*

1859.			
May 31.	To balance in Treasury,		186 64
June 1.	To cash from Immanuel Church, New Castle,		49 56
" "	" " Ascension Church. Brandywine Hundred,		12 50
" "	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford,		7 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna		8 50
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,		9 50
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,		2 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,		7 00
" "	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,		23 50
" "	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark.		18 50
" "	" " Christ Church. Delaware City,		6 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		11 36
" 18.	By cash paid Rt. Rev Bishop Lee	\$342 06	<hr/>
			\$342 06
July 8.	To cash from St. Luke's Church. Seaford,		2 00
1860.			
May 17.	" " St. James' Church, Stanton,		6 50
" 21.	" " Christ Church. Dover,		5 00
" "	" " St. Andrew's. Wilmington.		111 00
" 28.	" " Christ Church. Christiana Hundred.		52 50
June 5.	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington.		89 50
" "	" " St. John's Church Brandywine Village,		9 50
May 21.	By cash paid to the Rt. Rev. Bishop Lee,	\$111 00	<hr/>
	Balance in Treasury,	165 00	618 06
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		\$618 06	618 06
1860.			
June 6.	To balance in Treasury,	\$165 00	

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*  
DR.

1859.			
May 31,	To balance in Treasury at last Convention.		10 95
June 1,	To cash from Immanuel Church, New Castle,		12 00
" "	" " Ascension, Brandywine Hundred,		6 00
" "	" " Rev. Wm. Wright,		5 00
" "	" " St. Mark's, Little Creek,		3 00
" "	" " St. Mark's, Millsboro,		3 00
" "	" " St. Luke's, Seaford,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's, Smyrna,		5 00
" "	" " St. Paul's, Georgetown,		5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's, Lewes,		10 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,		5 00
" "	" " St. Ann's, Middletown,		10 00
" "	" " St. Thomas', Newark.		10 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		15 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Broad Creek, and Chapel,		5 00
" "	" " St. John's, Little Hill.		8 00
Nov. 10	" " Immanuel, New Castle,		12 00
" 29,	" " St. Peter's, Smyrna,		8 00
Dec. 26	" " Christ Church, Dover,		5 00
1860.			
Feb. 9,	" " St. Paul's, Georgetown.		5 00
May 28,	" " Christ Church Christiana Hundred,		15 00
" 31,	" " Trinity, Wilmington,		15 00
" "	" " St. Andrew's, Wilmington		15 00
June 4,	" " St. John's, Brandywine Village,		5 00
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			\$197 95
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" 5,	To balance in Treasury,		\$ 72 21

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*  
CR.

1859.			
June 2,	By cash paid to the Sexton of St Luke's Church. Seaford,		
	as by order of Convention,		5 00
Aug. 16	By cash paid Henry Eckel, for printing the Journal of Con-		
	vention for 1859, as per order,		79 20
" "	By cash paid Dr. J. F. Wilson, as per order of Convention,		7 54
Oct.	By cash paid Bishop Lee, assessment of the General Con-		
	vention,		34 00
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	Balance in Treasury,		72 21
			<hr/>
			\$197 95

# STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

*From the Episcopal Address, Parochial Reports, &c.*

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese,	-	20
Number of Parishes in union with the Convention,	-	25
Number of Clergymen having more than one parochial charge,		5
Churches consecrated,	-	1
Church buildings,	-	28
Clergymen received with letters dimissory,	-	4
Clergymen to whom letters dimissory have been given,		3
Ordained to the Diaconate,	-	2
Ordained to the Priesthood,	-	3
Baptisms—Adults 58, Infants 294, total,	-	352
Confirmed,	-	144
Communicants—Added 189, lost by removal 82, lost by death 17, present number,	-	1056
Marriages,	-	69
Funerals,	-	128
Sunday School Teachers,	-	270
“ Scholars,	-	2267

## *Contributions.*

To Missions—Domestic, 1,440 99 ; Diocesan, 922 25 ; Foreign, 704 84 ; total,	-	\$ 3,092 44
To the Episcopal Fund, from 16 churches,	-	402 90
To the Convention Fund, from 19 churches,	-	157 75
Alms,	-	764 24
Clergy relief, from 16 churches,	-	239 69
Parochial purposes,	-	5,138 37
Total amount of contributions from 23 churches,	-	16,855 28

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## NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in Christ Church, Dover, on the first Wednesday in June, 1861, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

**CONTRIBUTIONS, &c.,**

to the

**EPISCOPAL FUND,**

and the

**CONVENTION FUND,**

should be sent

To Mr. JOHN B. LEWIS, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

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To the

**MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.**

To Dr. JAMES F. WILSON, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

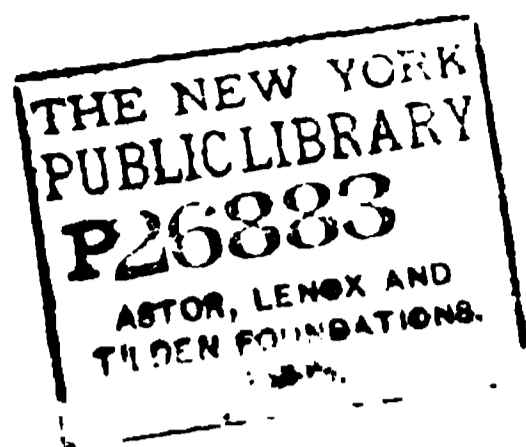
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To the

**Fund for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen,**

To Mr. JOHN B. LEWIS, Wilmington.

*Rev. Mr. Henry Brooks.*



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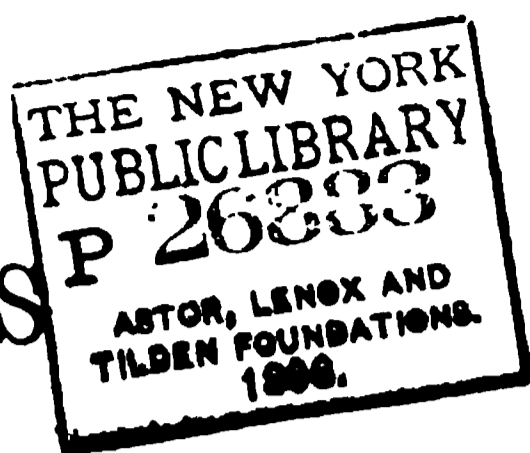
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# LIST

*Of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Canonically  
Resident in the Diocese of Delaware, June 5th, 1861.*

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\*RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector  
of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.

\*REV. CHARLES BRECK, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.

\*REV. SAMUEL C. BRINKLE, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana  
Hundred.

REV. CORRY CHAMBERS, residing in Wilmington.

\*REV. JAMES CHRYSTAL, assistant Minister of St. John's Church,  
Brandywine Village.

\*REV. JOHN B. CLEMON, D. D., Rector of the Church of the As-  
cension, Claymont.

REV. THOMAS GREEN CLEMON.

\*REV. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Rector of Immanuel Church, New  
Castle.

\*REV. ROBERT L. GOLDSBOROUGH, Rector of St. Ann's Church,  
Appcquinimink.

\*REV. SAMUEL F. HOTCHKIN, Deacon, assistant Minister of Church  
of the Ascension, Claymont.

\*REV. ROBERT J. KEELING, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, New-  
ark, and Christ Church, Delaware City.

\*REV. GEORGE S. LEWIS, Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church,  
Lewes.

\*REV. WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton,  
and St. James', Newport.

\*REV. JOHN L. MCKIM, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,  
and Christ Church, Milford.

REV. DAVID MACILVAIN, Deacon, residing at Lewes.

\*REV. STEVENS PARKER, Rector of St. John's Church, Brandy-  
wine Village.

REV. N. C. PRIDHAM, assistant Minister of St. Andrew's, Wil-  
mington.

\*REV. J. CROOKER WHITE, Deacon, Missionary at Dover.

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.*

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\*Designates those entitled to seats in the Convention.

## LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

*Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.*

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New Castle,	Trinity Church, Wilmington,	{ H. H. J. Naff, Victor duPont,
	St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ John B. Lewis, Samuel Canby.
	St. James', Stanton,	{ James Armstrong, Franklin Fell,
	St. James', Newport,	{ Thomas Bracken, Wm. Jenks Fell.
	Ascension, Claymont,	{ Samuel G. Lodge, James W. Brown.
	St. Thomas', Newark,	{ Benjamin Caulk, S. M. Curtis.
	St. John's, Brandywine Village,	{ J. Clud Elliott, James V. Jefferis.
	Christ Ch., Christiana Hundred,	{ Chas. I. du Pont, Jr., *John R. Brinckle.
	St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	{ John C. Spear, T. S. Merritt.
	Immanuel Church, New Castle,	{ Wm. T. Read, Samuel Guthrie.
Kent,	Christ Church, Milford,	{ Gov. Wm. Burton. Thomas Wallace,
	Christ Church, Dover,	{ *Edward Ridgely, R. C. Justis.
	St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ G. W. Cummins, Dr. Wm. Cummins.
		{ Benj. Burton, *Joseph Kollock.
Sussex,	St. Mark's, Millsboro,	{ John H. Painter. *Hon. Edw. Wootten.
	St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ John Rodney, N. Hickman.
	St. Peter's, Lewes,	{

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\*Absent.

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OF THE

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

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CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER, June 5th, 1861.

This being the day appointed by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, at its last session, for the annual meeting of the same, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M., in Christ Church, Dover. The Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The Secretary being absent, S. M. Curtis was, on motion of Rev. Charles Breck, appointed Secretary pro. tem., who called the names of such of the Clergy as were entitled to seats in the Convention under the Constitution, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, viz :

The Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,

- " Charles Breck,
- " Samuel C. Brinckle,
- " John B. Clemson, D. D.,
- " James Chrystal,
- " Robert L. Goldsborough,
- " Samuel F. Hotchkin,
- " Robert J. Keeling,
- " George S. Lewis,
- " J. Crocker White.

The Rev. Charles Breck, and Franklin Fell, Esq., were appointed to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the committee as duly elected, the following gentlemen answered to their names and took seats in the Convention :—

Christ Church, Milford,	Thomas Wallace,
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ John B. Lewis,
	{ Samuel Canby.
St. James', Stanton,	{ James Armstrong,
	{ Franklin Fell.
St. James', Newport,	{ Thomas Bracken,
	{ Wm. Jenks Fell.
Ascension, Claymont,	James W. Brown.
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	Benjamin Burton.
St. Thomas', Newark,	{ Benjamin Caulk,
	{ S. M. Curtis.
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	John H. Painter,
St. Peter's, Lewes,	John Rodney.
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ George W. Cummins,
	{ Dr. Wm. Cummins.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Secretary. The Rev. Mr. Hotchkin and John Rodney were appointed tellers, and, upon counting the votes, reported that Solomon M. Curtis had been duly elected.

Whereupon the Chair declared S. M. Curtis to be Secretary for the ensuing year.

The Rev. Mr. Goldsborough offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Students of Theology, who are candidates for Holy Orders in this Church, who may be present, be and they are hereby invited to attend the sittings of the Convention.

The Rev. N. C. Pridham of the Diocese of Delaware, the Rev. Reese Fell Alsop, the Rev. Francis D. Hoskins, the Rev. W. H. D. Hatton and the Rev. John Leighton McKim of the Diocese of Pennsylvania were present.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session.

## RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the Chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.
6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.
7. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.
8. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.
9. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.
10. No motion shall be considered as before the house unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.
11. When any question is before the house it shall be determined on before any new thing is introduced, except the question for adjournment.
12. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.
13. When the house is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.
14. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.
15. The charge or sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each clergyman, and ten copies to each vestry in the Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Charles Breck, the following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved*, That a reasonable sum be allowed for the transcribing of any former Journals, not already entered in the book provided by the Convention.

On motion of John B. Lewis, the account of the late Secretary—Dr. Wilson—amounting to \$9.71, was allowed.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed, one of whom shall be the late Secretary of the Convention, who shall take in charge the correction of the typographical errors in the last two Journals, and have the same correctly transcribed into the proper book.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Clemson and the Rev. Mr. Hotchkin.

The Convention then took a recess for Divine Service.

The order for daily morning prayer was read by the Rev. Robert L. Goldsborough, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Appoquinimink, and the Rev. James Chrystal, Assistant Minister of St. John's Church, Brandywine Village.

The Ante-Communion service was read by the Rev. Charles Breck, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington, the Bishop reading the Gospel.

After singing four verses of the 25th Hymn, the Convention sermon was delivered by the Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, from the 9th verse of the 48th psalm.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Breck.

The congregation having been dismissed, the Bishop resumed the chair and called the house to order.

The following clergymen, not present at the opening of the Convention, appeared and took their seats:—Rev. Messrs. Benjamin Franklin and Stevens Parker.

The following named Lay Delegates, not present at the opening of the Convention, answered to their names and took their seats :

Trinity Church, Wilmington, H. H. J. Naff, Victor du Pont; Christ Church, Milford, Gov. Wm. Burton; Ascension, Claymont, S. G. Lodge; St. Peter's, Lewes, N. Hickman; St. John's, Brandywine, J. Cloud Elliott, James V. Jefferis; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, Charles I. du Pont, Jr., St. Ann's, Appoquinimink, J. C. Spear, T. S. Merritt; Immanuel Church, New Castle, Wm. T. Read, Samuel Guthrie.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Breck, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the case of a Delegate from St. Georges Church, Indian River, whose certificate by mistake was not forwarded.

On motion of Mr. John Rodney, it was ordered that the committee be composed of three members.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Breck and Franklin, and Dr. Wm. Cummins.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Breck, it was

*Resolved*, That when the Convention adjourn, it adjourn to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Breck, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Convention be presented to the Rev. Mr. Brinckle for his interesting discourse delivered before the Convention, and also that he be requested to furnish the Secretary for publication in the Journal, that portion of the address relating to his recollections of this Parish.

The Bishop appointed George W. Cummins, Victor du Pont and Samuel Canby, Esqs., a committee to examine the Treasurer's accounts, and they subsequently reported the same correct.

Dr. William Cummins offered the following resolution, which, after some discussion, was, on motion of Rev. Mr. Franklin, laid on the table.

*Resolved*, In view of the present distress and civil commotion in this our beloved country, when dark and portentous clouds overshadow us and men's hearts are failing them through fear, that this Convention assemble here (Christ Church) to-morrow morning at 6 o'clock, to unite in prayer and supplication to Almighty God, to whom it belongeth justly to punish sinners, and to be merciful to those who truly repent, that He would stretch forth His hand and exercise His mighty power in restraining the unruly passions of men, that He would in His good time restore this once happy but now distracted Union to peace and harmony, that He would put into the hearts of all, throughout the length and breadth of our land of the free and home of the brave, a spirit of forbearance and brotherly kindness, and that He would in His infinite wisdom hasten the time when the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea, when wars and rumors of wars shall cease, and when the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ.

The Convention then adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER,  
June 5th, 1861, 3 o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention re-assembled pursuant to adjournment.

The Bishop called the house to order, and the Secretary called the roll. In addition to the Bishop there were present of the clergy, the Rev. Messrs. Brinckle, Breck, Chrystal, Clemson, Franklin, Goldsborough, Hotchkin, Keeling, Lewis, Parker and White; and of the Laity, Messrs. Naff, Victor du Pont, Governor Burton, Wallace, Lewis, Canby, Armstrong, Franklin Fell, Lodge, Bracken, Fell, Brown, Burton, Caulk, Curtis, Justis, Painter, Rodney, Hickman, G. W. Cummins, Dr. William Cummins, Elliott, Jefferis, Du Pont, Spear, Merritt, Read, Guthrie, and Peter R. Burton.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

## ADDRESS

*To the Clerical and Lay Members of the Seventy-first Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.*

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**BELoved BRETHREN :**

In the Providence of God we assemble to-day in this venerable Sanctuary where met, in 1791, the first Convention of the Diocese of Delaware. The call for that Convention issued from the Rev. John Bissett, Rector, and the Vestry of Christ Church, Dover. Many subsequent Conventions were also held here until 1824. Again, after an interval of thirty-seven years, the Annual Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware is gathered in the same ancient edifice, renewed and improved. We cannot pass over this feature of the present Convention without grateful emotions and thanks to our Divine Head.

Proceeding to review the official acts of the just expired year, I report the Ordination of the Rev. James Chrystal to the Priesthood, on the 25th day of July, 1860, in St. John's Church, Brandywine Village, on which occasion the sermon was preached by the Rev. Charles Breck.

On the 21st of June, at the request of Bishop Potter, I took part in the services at the consecration of Christ Church, Media, Pa., of which edifice I laid the corner-stone on the 5th of July, 1858.

On the 26th September, 1860, I was present at the re-opening of Immanuel Church, New Castle, and delivered the sermon. This venerable and beautiful Sanctuary has been much improved and considerably enlarged, added church accommodation being made necessary by the increase of the congregation and the flourishing condition of the Parish.

On the 30th of November I held an Ordination in St. John's Church, Brandywine Village, when the Rev. Thomas G. Clemson and the Rev. George A. Strong were admitted to the Priesthood. The sermon was preached by the Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D.

On the 30th September, interesting services were held in old Christ Church, Broad Creek, at which large numbers were present from all the congregations in that vicinity. On this occasion I

preached twice, confirmed four persons, and administered, with the assistance of the Rector, Rev. J. L. Gay, the Lord's Supper to a larger number of communicants than have probably knelt together in that ancient sanctuary within the memory of the present generation. Such services, occasionally held in a church where the ordinary attendance is small and services during the winter suspended, cannot but produce a happy influence, bringing members of the church together and cheering those who have much to discourage them. The large and promising field in which the Rev. Mr. Gay has labored with much zeal and general acceptance, has just become vacant by his removal. I have indeed to note in this address an unusual number of vacant parishes.

Christ Church, Dover, was resigned by the Rev. Marshall R. Smith, July, 1860.

St. George's Church, Indian River, St. Mark's, Millsboro', and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills, have become vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Wm. Wright, September 10th, 1860.

St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, was resigned by the Rev. Julius E. Grammer, January 28th, 1861. St. Luke's Church, Seaford, Christ Church, Broad Creek, St. John's, Little Hill, and St. Mark's, Little Creek, by the Rev. John L. Gay, May 20th, 1861.

Christ Church, Dover, has been acceptably supplied by the Rev. J. C. White, who entered upon his duties in October last. The other parishes named still remain vacant.

The Rev. Geo. A. Strong resigned his position as Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, December 31st, 1860, and has been succeeded by the Rev. N. C. Pridham, who entered upon his duties immediately after.

The Rev. Samuel F. Hotchkin, was elected Assistant Minister of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, and entered upon his duties in July last.

The Rev. Thomas G. Clemson was appointed Missionary in Brandywine Village and Hundred in November, 1860.

#### ADDITIONS

To the Clergy during the year, have been the Rev. J. C. White

from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, letter accepted September 26th, 1860.

The Rev. S. F. Hotchkin from the Diocese of New York, letter accepted November 1st, 1860.

The Rev. N. C. Pridham from the Diocese of Louisiana, letter accepted March 19th, 1861.

#### REMOVALS.

The Rev. Marshall B. Smith to New Jersey, letter accepted by Bishop Odenheimer, September 13th, 1860.

The Rev. William Wright to Pennsylvania, letter accepted by Bishop Potter, October 1st, 1860.

The Rev J. E. Grammer to Ohio, letter accepted by Bishop McIlvaine, February 28th, 1861.

The Rev. George A. Strong to Massachusetts, letter accepted by Bishop Eastburn, April 17th, 1861.

The Rev. John L. Gay to the Diocese of Quebec, letter dated May 20th, 1861.

There are at present no admitted candidates for orders.

The parishes and Missionary stations have been nearly all visited since the last Convention, and many of them twice. In some instances I have been requested to defer my visit until after the Convention. To this it is partly owing that the number of Confirmations falls below the average for several years past. The Holy Communion has been administered on several of these occasions, and thirty-five sermons and a number of addresses delivered. St. Andrew's, Wilmington, is not included.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

There have been confirmed in Church of the As-			
cension, Claymont, - - -	10	persons.	
St. John's, Brandywine Village, -	15	"	
Trinity, Wilmington, (of which five sick persons in			
private,) - - -	18	"	
St. Andrew's, Wilmington, - -	12	"	
Immanuel Church, New Castle, - -	7	"	
Christ Church, Delaware City, - -	1	"	

St. Ann's, Middletown, -	-	-	6 persons.
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	-	1 "
Christ Church, Milford, -	-	-	3 "
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	-	2 "
Christ Church, Broad Creek,	-	-	4 "
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Confirmations are yet to be held in Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, Newport, Stanton and Newark.

We meet, beloved brethren, under public circumstances of the gravest character. Our beloved and hitherto peaceful land is now the theatre of strife, and for aught that we can tell, that strife may be protracted, desperate and bloody. No patriot heart but must be deeply oppressed and saddened by the outbreak of civil war and the prospect of its inevitable calamities.

The Church must feel in many ways the effects of an agitation so fearful as that which now convulses our country, and the still small voice of the gospel seems almost drowned in the clash of arms. And yet it is at such times that the promises and consolations of the word of God are most needed and should be most welcome. A deep solemnity pervades many hearts, favorable to impressions of that which is spiritual and eternal. While the very foundations of the social system rock as with earthquake throes, while the worldly objects which so many have been pursuing to the neglect and forgetfulness of better things are slipping from their grasp, while life's uncertainty is forced upon those who hasten to the field, and the hearts of families and friends are tender and anxious, the precious and saving truths of the gospel may find entrance into bosoms hitherto barred and closed against them.

May not the words of eternal life, so often heard in vain, now prove to many 'words in season,' and is not the appalling crisis in which we find ourselves a loud call to ministerial activity and Christian devotedness? To my brethren in the sacred office I say then, now above other times, "Preach the word, be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all long-suffering and doctrine." Press upon men, awed and solemnized by the convulsions and dangers of the State, the claims of that Kingdom which

cannot be moved. Remind them, amid rapid and startling changes, that Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, to-day and forever. Urge them to seek refuge in the ark of God, and to shelter themselves under the almighty wings. This too is a time to point out the dread evil of sin, the bitter fountain of all the disorders, strifes and miseries that afflict the world; and the indispensable necessity of repentance and humiliation before a holy God. Oh, the treasure with which we are put in charge, as God's ambassadors to dying men, seems to be enhanced in its value and preciousness by times so troublous, and with increased zeal and importunity should we urge upon men the acceptance of our glad tidings.

What may be the effects of the present conflict upon the condition of the Church of Christ in our country, it is impossible for us now to foresee. That the ultimate result will be the furtherance of the gospel and the advance of the kingdom of Christ, we cannot allow ourselves to doubt. But our way to this consummation may lie through seas and tempests. We need a strong faith and a hope anchored within the vail. We shall surely need much prayer and looking unto God.

One of the immediate effects is likely to be the embarrassment of Missionary operations, and the diminution of contributions for religious and benevolent purposes. Let me affectionately urge upon my brethren of the Laity to endeavor, so far as their ability extends, to avert consequences so disastrous. This is specially a time for the Lord's stewards to be faithful. If God have given you means, let it be a care near to your hearts that your own pastor does not suffer from the withholding of the support to which he is entitled. And remember that your donations for the spread of Christ's kingdom, at home and abroad, are now doubly important. I might almost say every dollar you give now has a ten-fold value.

We know not, beloved, the end of these things, the course of which we watch with such intense anxiety. But we may know our individual duty; and in the conscientious discharge of that we shall be making the wisest preparation for the future. An earnest faith and unshaken trust in God, a holy resolution never to shrink from danger in the way of duty, an enlarged charity that excepts

none from its scope, and the spirit of fervent prayer and supplication now become the Christian. May the God of all grace grant us these precious bestowments, and all that we need besides, for the sake of his blessed Son, our only Saviour and Advocate.

ALFRED LEE.

The committee appointed upon Rev. Mr. Breck's resolution, report that,

The certificate of the Lay Delegate from St. Georges Church, Indian River, not having been presented, it is the opinion of the committee, that according to Canon II, he is not entitled to a seat in this Convention, but inasmuch as the committee has information that the certificate has been made out and only failed to be received by accident, it is proposed that Mr. Peter R. Burton the Lay Delegate aforesaid be invited to a seat on this floor, with all privileges except voting.

CHARLES BRECK,  
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN,  
WILLIAM CUMMINS.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Keeling the report was adopted.

Wm. T. Read, Esq., Secretary of the Standing Committee, presented and read an abstract of the proceedings of the Committee during the past year, as follows :

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware respectfully report to the Convention of the said Diocese, an abstract of their proceedings during the past year, as follows :

June 6th, 1860, the Standing Committee met in St. Ann's Church, Middletown, Delaware, and was duly organized by choosing the Rev. Charles Breck as President and William T. Read as Secretary.

November 30th, 1860, the Standing Committee signed the requisite testimonials recommending the Rev. George A. Strong as worthy and well qualified to be ordained to the sacred order of the Priesthood.

(Attest,)

WILLIAM T. READ,

*Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware.*

The committee on the Endowment of the Episcopate reported progress, and asked to be continued, which request was granted; and the Rev. Dr. Clemson was elected to fill the vacancy in the committee occasioned by the removal from the Diocese of the Rev. Mr. Grammer.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Franklin, it was

*Resolved*, That the next Annual Convention be held in St. Peter's Church, Lewes, on the first Wednesday in June, 1862

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Brinckle, the election of the several committees was postponed.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, the Secretary was requested to convey to the late Secretary—Dr. J. F. Wilson—the thanks of the Convention for the very able and faithful manner in which he has discharged his duties.

The Rev. Mr. Franklin offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Clergy of this Diocese be required to reside within their Missionary or Parochial districts, unless for obvious and sufficient cause excused by the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Keeling moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words “with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee,” which motion prevailed, and the resolution thus amended was adopted, as follows :

*Resolved*, That the Clergy of this Diocese be required to reside within their Missionary or Parochial districts, unless for obvious and sufficient cause excused by the Bishop.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church for the use of their Church, and to the citizens of Dover and vicinity for their kindness and hospitality to the members thereof; and that the Treasurer pay to the Sexton of Christ Church the usual compensation allowed for his attendance during the session of the Convention.

The Convention then adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock on the occasion of the appointed Missionary meeting.

8 o'clock, P. M.

The meeting was opened with prayers by the Rev. George S. Lewis; addresses were made by the Rev. Mr. Alsop, Rev. Mr. Hoskins, Rev. Mr. Brinckle and the Bishop, and a collection taken for Diocesan Missions.

At the close of the services, the Bishop called the House to order.

The Report of the Missionary and Education Committee was presented, and read by the Secretary.

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*James F. Wilson, Treasurer of Missionary and Education Committee, Diocese of Delaware.*

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1860.			
June 5,	To balance,		33 65
" 6,	" collection at Convention,		18 23
Dec. 3,	" cash from Immanuel Church, New Castle, for Diocesan Missions,		24 35
	" special contribution, Rev. Mr. Keeling's services, Delaware City,		25 00
1861.			
Jan. 16	" cash from a member of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, for Rev. W. Marshall.		20 00
Mar 25,	" cash Immanuel Church, New Castle, for Diocesan Missions,		38 23
April 4,	" cash special contribution for Delaware City,		25 00
May 14,	" " St. Andrew's, Wil., Domestic Miss. (General,)		25 00
" "	" " " " Foreign " "		68 55
" "	" " " " Diocesan " "		25 00
" "	" " from a member of Do. scholarship in Africa,		20 00
" "	" " St. Andrew's Church Sunday School, for scholarship, Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum,		75 00
" "	" " Immanuel Ch., New Castle, for Rev. J. L. Gay,		25 00
" 30,	" " Christ Church, Dover, Diocesan Missions,		3 00
" "	" " St. Andrew's, Wil., for Diocesan Missions,		15 00
June 4,	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark, "		25 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes, "		2 25
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*James F. Wilson, Treasurer of Missionary and Education Committee, Diocese of Delaware.*

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1860.			
Sept. 19	Check No. 74, Rev. R. J. Keeling,	\$50	00
1861.			
Jan. 18,	" " 75, Rev. W. Marshall,	40	00
Mar. 25,	" " 76, Henry F. Rodney, for St. Peter's, Lewes, as directed by Rev. Mr. Franklin.	12	50
April 4,	" " 77, Rev. R. J. Keeling.	50	00
May 14,	Cash to Seymour. Treas. Domestic Com., N. Y.,	25	00
" "	" " J. S. Aspinwall, Treas. Foreign " "	88	55
" "	" " " " for Cape Palmas Orphan Asylum,	75	00
" "	" " Rev. J. L. Gay, Sussex Co.,	25	00
" "	" " " " from Immanuel Ch, New Castle,	25	00
" 31,	Check No. 79, Rev. G. S. Lewis,	25	00
" "	" " 80, Rev. J. C. White,	25	00
	Balance,	27	32
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		\$468	37

The Secretary read the minutes which were approved, and after prayers and the Benediction, the Convention, on motion of Rev. Mr. Franklin, adjourned *sine die*.

## DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

The Right Rev. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Bishop and President of Convention. Residence, Wilmington.

### Standing Committee.

Rev. Charles Breck, *Chairman*.

Rev. Robert L. Goldsborough,

Solomon M. Curtis,

William T. Read, Esq., *Secretary*.

### Deputies to General Convention.

Rev. Charles Breck,

" Benjamin Franklin,

Capt. S. F. du Pont,

Solomon M. Curtis,

Wm. T. Read, Esq.

Wm. Cummins, M. D.

**Missionary and Education Committee.**

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman*,  
 Rev. Benjamin Franklin,  
 " Samuel C. Brinckle,  
 James F. Wilson, M. D., *Treasurer*,  
 George D. Armstrong.

**Relief Committee for the Assistance of Infirm and Disabled Clergymen.**

Rev. Charles Breck, Samuel Baily, Esq.,  
 John B. Lewis, Esq., *Treasurer*.

**Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.**

Hon. Caleb S. Layton, Hon. Edward Wooten,  
 William T. Read, Esq., Clement Reeves, Esq.

**Committee on Endowment of Episcopate.**

Rev. Benjamin Franklin, George W. Cummins, Esq.  
 Franklin Fell, Esq., Dr. James Mitchell,  
 James Brown, Esq., Rev. John L. McKim,  
 Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., Charles Wright, Esq.,  
 Henry F. Rodney, Esq.

**Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.**

Rev. Stevens Parker, Edward G. Bradford, Esq.



*Treasurer of Convention*—JOHN B. LEWIS, Esq., Wilmington.  
*Secretary of Convention*—SOLOMON M. CURTIS, Newark.

Attest, SOLOMON M. CURTIS, SECRETARY.

# APPENDIX.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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**CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CLAYMONT, NEW CASTLE COUNTY.**

**John B. Clemson, D. D., Rector.**

**Samuel F. Hotchkin, Assistant Minister.**

This parish is prosperous. For the most of a year, it has enjoyed the faithful services of the Rev. Samuel F. Hotchkin as assistant Minister. Most of the pastoral work of the parish is performed by him, while he maintains regular pulpit services at home and at other points in the Hundred. My own labors are divided, being largely shared in by my family school. The attention on the sanctuary services is both good and interested, and the different Parochial works are well sustained.

The Church has received from a lady of the parish the very liberal gift of a rich window of stained glass for the chancel.

The Sunday School is managed by the assistant and with success and satisfaction. It numbers, Teachers, 10 ; Scholars, 70. There have been

Marriages,	-	-	-	-	2
Confirmations,	-	-	-	-	10
Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	-	11
“ Whole number,	-	-	-	-	39
Baptisms—Children, -	-	-	-	-	23
“ Adults,	-	-	-	-	16
“ Whole,	-	-	-	-	39
Burials,	-	-	-	-	2
Collections—For Episcopal Fund, -	-	-	-	\$19 50	
“ Convention “	-	-	-	6 00	
“ Missions, Foreign,	-	-	-	45 00	
“ “ Domestic,	-	-	-	29 00	
“ “ Diocesan,	-	-	-	18 00	

Collections—For the Jews, -	\$ 7 00
“ Church building in West, -	14 00
“ Parish Sunday School, -	12 00
“ Relief Fund, -	12 00
“ From Sunday School for Indians, -	26 39
“ Alms, -	53 00
“ Other purposes not including salary, -	310 00
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REPORT OF REV. S. F. HOTCHKIN, ASSISTANT MINISTER OF THE  
CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, BRANDYWINE HUNDRED.

*Rt. Rev. Sir:*

I entered upon my duties July 3d, 1860. During the past year I have assisted the Rev. Dr. Clemson in performing service and preaching at Ascension Church. For several months past I have officiated on alternate Sunday afternoons at the Union meeting house in this Hundred where the Rev. Mr. Hazlehurst organized a parish some years ago.

The first Sunday after Trinity, Grace Church in this Hundred was re-opened with a good attendance, and I hope hereafter to hold services there on the 1st and 3d Sunday of each month in the afternoon, and to continue the services at the Union meeting house on the 2d and 4th Sunday.

I have baptized one sick person in private, in the absence of the Rector.

The offerings at the services at the Union meeting house have been for the most part devoted to the Sexton. A friend in New York sent us \$10, which was appropriated to the use of that station, and the Church of the Ascension has contributed somewhat for the same purpose.

S. F. HOTCHKIN.

REPORT OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRANDYWINE VILLAGE.

Rev. S. Parker, Rector.	Rev. Jas. Chrystal, Assistant Minister.
Baptisms—Adults, -	17
“ Infants, -	15

Baptisms—Total,	-	-	-	-	32
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	15
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	32
“ Since removed,	-	-	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	14
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	44
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	5
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 8, Females 9,	-	-	-	-	12
“ Scholars, “ 60, “ 103,	-	-	-	-	163
Public Services—On Sunday, 107; other days, 186. Total,	-	-	-	-	293

## OFFERINGS.

For Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$6 59
“ Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	6 00
“ Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	1 63
“ Bishop’s Fund,	-	-	-	-	16 00
“ Convention,	-	-	-	-	8 00
“ the Poor,	-	-	-	-	104 25
“ Parish School,	-	-	-	-	100 00
“ Parochial purposes,	-	-	-	-	1153 00
Other offerings,	-	-	-	-	75 80
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					\$1,471 27

From November, 1860, until the latter part of April I was absent from my parish, having been South for my health. I did not resume my duties until the middle of the month of May. During my absence the parish has been very faithfully ministered unto by the Rev. Thomas G. Clemson. The parish school has been continued during the past year. The average number of scholars has been about fifty. In October, 1859, the guild of St. John’s Church was established and it has given efficient aid to the Rector in the care of the poor, in the increase of the Sunday School, in notifying him of sickness and in other duties connected with the Parochial work.

STEVENS PARKER.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRANDYWINE VILLAGE.

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:*

The undersigned assistant Minister of St. John's, Brandywine, has during the past year preached seventy-six times, read wholly or in part one hundred and forty-seven services, has administered the Holy Communion once, and assisted at its celebration eleven times, has baptized two children, and officiated at one funeral. He has held service and preached on several occasions in the prison at New Castle, Del. These are included in the above. He has also visited and distributed tracts among the prisoners.

JAMES CHRYSTAL, Assistant.

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:*

During the last year I have been constantly engaged in ministerial duties. Prior to Nov. 12th I was engaged in preaching out of the Diocese. Since Nov. 12th I have been in charge of St. John's Church, Brandywine. I have preached 120 times, read service in whole or part each Sunday, and since my ordination, Nov. 30th, have regularly administered Holy Communion and officiated at one funeral.

T. G. CLEMSON.

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, Rector.		Rev. N. C. Pridham, Assistant.	
Baptisms—	Infant, 31; Adult, 8; Total,	-	39
Confirmed,	-	-	12
Communicants—	Deceased,	-	6
“	Removed,	-	10
“	Withdrawn or dropped from the list,	-	8
“	Added,	-	19
“	Present number,	-	220
Marriages,	-	-	4
Funerals,	-	-	20

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

No. 1—Teachers, Male 15, Female 32. Total,	-	47
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	Scholars, Male 158, Female 242,	400
No. 2—Calvary Chapel,		
	Teachers, Male 12, Female 17. Total,	- 29
	Scholars, " 96, " 137. " -	233
No. 3—Robert Smith, (colored,)		
	Teachers, Male 4, Female 19. Total, -	- 23
	Scholars, " 141, " 149. " -	290
Total—Schools, 3—Teachers, Male 31, Female 68. Total, -		99
	Scholars, " 395, " 528. " -	923

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Congregational offerings,		
Diocesan, \$60 ; Domestic, \$25 ; Foreign, \$88 55 ; Total, \$173 55		
Sunday Schools—Missionary offerings,		
Cape Palmas Female Orphan Asylum, scholarship, -	75 00	
Calvary Chapel, Wilmington, -	85 00	
Rev. C. Townsend, Iowa, -	30 00	
Domestic, -	27 91	
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		\$167 91
Total for Missions, -	-	341 46
Charitable—Clergy Relief Fund, -	50 00	
" Dorcas Society, -	104 78	
" Sufferers in Syria, -	45 50	
" " " Kansas, -	84 00	
Alms, -	47 38	
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		\$331 66
Sunday Schools—For Syrian sufferers, -	17 00	
" " Kansas " -	19 66	
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		\$397 57
Evangelical Knowledge Society, -	43 57	
Episcopate, \$112 50 ; Convention, \$15 00, -	127 50	
Blankets for Delaware Volunteers, -	29 25	
(Not including current expenses,)		<hr/>
		\$910 10

Services on Sundays,	-	-	150
“ week days about,	-	-	120

The Rev. George A. Strong resigned his office as assistant Minister in December last. The Rev. N. C. Pridham entered upon his duties as assistant immediately after. Services have been held regularly in Calvary Chapel on Sunday afternoons and during a considerable part of the year on Wednesday evenings. The Chapel Sunday School on Sunday mornings has been well sustained and is gaining in numbers and efficiency. Our schools indeed have all been conducted, through the co-operation of warm-hearted zealous teachers, in a very satisfactory manner and with an increased average attendance. The last year has made unusual demands upon the charitable sympathies of our people, and these have been answered to a much greater extent than appears on the record of public contributions.

ALFRED LEE.

#### TRINITY PARISH, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Adults 10, Infants 57,	-	-	67
Confirmed, -	-	-	18
Communicants—Died,	-	-	9
“ Removed,	-	-	6
“ Added,	-	-	29
“ Present number,	-	-	194
Marriages,	-	-	19
Burials, -	-	-	32
Sunday Schools, -	-	-	1
Teachers, -	-	-	30
Scholars, -	-	-	300
Public Services on Sundays,	-	-	105
“ other days,	-	-	75
Total services,	-	-	180

The Treasurer's Report exhibits the following account :

Communion Alms,	-	-	\$154 04
Poor—gift of a Parishioner,	-	-	100 00
Parish Library,	-	-	66 53

Educational,	-	-	-	-	\$ 120 00
Current Expenses,	-	-	-	-	1,845 00
Incidental,	-	-	-	-	936 28
Episcopate,	-	-	-	-	90 00
Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	15 00
Disabled Clergymen;	-	-	-	-	50 00
Church Book Society,	-	-	-	-	50 00
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	-	56 99
Domestic "	-	-	-	-	13 15
Minnesota, Bishop Whipple,	-	-	-	-	50 00
South West, Bishop Lay, Easter offering of a parishioner,	-	-	-	-	50 00
Blankets, Delaware Regiment,	-	-	-	-	40 50
Prayer Books, " "	-	-	-	-	20 00
Ladies Benevolent Society,	-	-	-	-	28 63
Sunday School Offerings—Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	27 79
" " Nashotah,	-	-	-	-	10 00
" " Faribault,	-	-	-	-	20 00
" " Minnesota,	-	-	-	-	10 00
" " Nebraska,	-	-	-	-	10 00
" " Delaware Regiment,	-	-	-	-	6 00
Total,	-	-	-	-	<u>\$3,269 91</u>

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

CHRIST CHURCH, CHRISTIANA HUNDRED.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	14
Confirmed, none, the Bishop's visitation not having yet taken place.					
Communicants—Removed,	-	-	-	-	3
" Dropped from the list,	-	-	-	-	2
" Died,	-	-	-	-	3
" Added,	-	-	-	-	4
" Present number,	-	-	-	-	105
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	13
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 1, Female 14. Total,					15

Sunday School—Scholars, Male 92, Female 88.	Total,	- • 180
Contributions—Missions, Diocesan,	-	\$50 75
“ “ Domestic,	-	190 25
“ “ Foreign,	-	130 01
“ Total for Missions,	-	371 01
“ Communion Alms,	-	21 91
“ Episcopate,	-	54 00
“ Convention Fund,	-	15 00
“ Clergy Relief Fund,	-	20 19
“ Sunday School,	-	35 06
“ Total,	-	\$517 17

Public Services—Sundays 103, other days 9. Total, 112

Among the afflictive dispensations of the past year we have to record the removal by death of one whose name is identified with the history of Christ Church—Mrs. Victorine E. Bauduy. She established the Sunday School which was the foundation of our Church, and for forty-five years was its untiring Superintendent. How many there trained who will rise up and call her blessed will be known at the last day. To pastor and people, in Church and in the Sunday School, our loss is greater than we can express.

The financial distresses of these troubled times have been peculiarly felt in this parish.

S. C. BRINCKLE, Rector.

#### IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE.

Baptisms—Infants 12, Adults 3.	Total,	-	-	15
Confirmations,	-	-	-	7
Communicants,	-	-	-	106
Marriages,	-	-	-	2
Burials,	-	-	-	3
Contributions—Alms,	-	-	\$97 13	
“ Foreign Missions,	-	-	59 79	
“ Domestic “	-	-	68 02	
“ Episcopate,	-	-	87 20	
“ Disabled Clergy,	-	-	34 58	

Contributions—Bishop White P. B. Society, -	\$19 48
“ Nashotah, -	31 49
“ Diocesan Missions, -	62 63
“ Miscellaneous, -	55 00
“ Faribault, -	14 52
Total, -	———— \$529 84

A valuable box of clothing according to our annual custom has been sent this year to a missionary and family.

Our parish Church has been enlarged about one-third, and otherwise improved in comfort and commodiousness.

B. FRANKLIN, Rector.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEAR STANTON.

Baptisms—Adult, 1 ; Infants, 11. Total, -	-	12
Communicants—Number last reported, -	-	20
“ Added, -	-	5
“ Died, -	-	2
“ Present number, -	-	23
Marriages, -	-	4
Funerals, -	-	14
Sunday School Teachers, -	-	5
“ Scholars, -	-	45
Contributions—Domestic Missions, -	\$60 60	
“ Foreign “ -	11 00	
Sunday School offering to Faribault, -	9 00	
Communion offerings, -	25 25	
Infirm Clergy, -	1 50	
Convention and Episcopal Fund, -	11 50	
Endowment of Episcopate, -	21 00	
	————	\$139 85

Public Services—Sundays, 52 ; other days, 5. Total, - 57

WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEWPORT.

Baptisms—Adult 1 ; Infants, 3. Total, -	-	4
Communicants—Number last reported, -	-	5

Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	-	7
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	\$13	88	
“ Foreign “	-	5	00	
Sunday School offering to China Mission,	-	9	25	
“ “ Faribault,	-	5	60	
Infirm Clergy,	-	-	69	
Episcopate and Convention Fund,	-	7	00	
Other purposes,	-	-	32 85	
Total,	-	-	—	\$73 67
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	-	5
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	45
Public Services—Sundays, 52 ; other days, 5. Total,	-	-	-	57
WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector.				

#### ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEWARK.

Baptisms—Adults, 5 ; Infants, 18. Total,	-	-	23
Communicants per last report,	-	-	41
“ Received with certificate from adjoining Diocese,	-	-	1
“ Since deceased,	-	-	1
“ “ Removed to other Parishes,	-	-	3
“ “ Dropped,	-	-	4
“ Present number,	-	-	34
Funerals,	-	-	3
Sunday School—Teachers, Male, 3 ; Female, 6,	-	-	9
“ Scholars, White Male, 26 ; Female, 25,	-	-	51
“ “ Colored “ 10 ; “ 10,	-	-	20
	-	-	—71

#### CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Foreign (Sunday School, \$27 38,)	\$47 38
“ Domestic (for Kansas per Bishop Lee,)	50 00
“ “ for Griswold College,	15 00
“ “ Indian and other fields,	35 00
“ Diocesan,	25 00
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	\$172 38
Offertory,	36 00
E. K. S. Publications for use of Parish,	9 50

Disabled Clergy,	-	-	\$ 15 00
Bishop's Fund,	-	-	20 50
Convention "	-	-	10 00
Prayer Books for Delaware Regiment,	-	-	9 84
Church repairs and incidental expenses,			117 72
			<hr/> \$218 06

Amount raised, exclusive of Rector's Salary, \$390 44

The services in this parish continue to be well attended, and applications exceeding our accommodations have necessitated a few additional pews. The parish has responded as usual to the various Missionary and other financial calls, and would doubtless have contributed more largely to the cause of Missions, but for unexpected and important repairs on the church, the removal of several contributing members, and the general depression of the times. Owing to the sudden illness of the Bishop at his last annual visit, the rite of confirmation could not be administered. A class of eight candidates are awaiting his next visit, to which we look forward with much interest. During the past year we have had to mourn the loss of a member of our vestry, Mr. James N. Bunker, who was for some years the faithful and zealous Superintendent of our Sunday School. After a life of useful piety he departed hence in full assurance of hope. As brethren we are endeavoring "to hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace and in righteousness of life."

R. J. KEELING.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, DELAWARE CITY.

Number of Communicants per last report,	-	-	17
Confirmed,	-	-	1
Added,	-	-	2
Removed,	-	-	4
Present number Communicants,	-	-	16
Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	1
Confirmation,	-	-	1
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 1, Female 5,	-	-	6
"    Scholars, " 18, " 32,	-	-	50

Contributions—Sunday School to Foreign Missions,	\$	6	40
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	5 00
“ Bishop’s Fund,	-	-	8 50
“ Other purposes,	-	-	300 00
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			\$319 00

The services continue to be well attended. The communicants, principally females, are faithful and zealous in their efforts to sustain the church in this place. Some expenditures have been made on the church inclosure, window lights, wantonly broken by unruly boys, have been renewed, and valuable heating apparatus provided to secure the requisite comfort for our winter services. The Sunday School flourishes under the faithful superintendence of Mr. E. B. Pennington. The distance of this parish from my residence, and the infrequency of the services, are serious obstacles to an effective pastorate, but I trust ere long to see some cheering evidences of my imperfect ministry in this church.

#### ST. ANN’S PARISH, APPOQUINIMINK.

Baptisms—Adults 9, Infants 45. Total,	-	-	54
Confirmed,	-	-	6
Communicants—Last reported,	-	-	52
“ Since removed,	-	-	8
“ Added,	-	-	10
“ Present number,	-	-	54
Marriages,	-	-	8
Funerals,	-	-	11
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	6
“ Scholars,	-	-	45
Contributions—Missions, Diocesan,	-	\$	5 00
“ “ Domestic,	-	-	25 00
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	26 00
“ Convention “	-	-	10 00
“ Clergy relief,	-	-	21 00
“ Parochial purposes,	-	-	600 00

Public Services, on Sundays 72, Holy days, &c., 86, 156

ROBERT F. GOLDSBOROUGH, Rector.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, SMYRNA.

Baptisms—Infants, - - - -	3
Confirmed, - - - -	1
Communicants, in last report, - - -	46
“ Since removed, - - -	9
“ Withdrawn, - - -	4
“ Added, - - -	2
“ Present number, - - -	35
Funerals, - - - -	4
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 6, Female 15, -	21
Scholars, - - - -	120

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms, - - -	\$13 72
For disabled Clergy in the Diocese, - -	15 00
“ Sunday School, - - -	4 74
“ American Tract Society, life member, -	20 00
“ Church in Florida, - - -	1 00
“ Bible Society of Kent County, Del., -	20 23
“ Missions, Domestic, a box of clothing by the Church Aid Society, valued at - - -	17 00
“ Missions, Foreign, Easter Sunday School offering, -	45 52
“ Episcopal Fund, - - -	23 00
“ Convention “ - - -	10 00
“ Current expenses, - - -	68 13
“ Church Aid Society, - - -	31 52
“ Other purposes, - - -	5 00
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	\$274 86

The Rev. J. E. Grammer resigned the charge of this parish on the 28th of January, 1861. Since that time the church has been opened regularly on Sundays and the congregation have enjoyed both clerical and lay services. On Thursday evenings the church is open for service and a lecture. And on the first Monday of every month the vestry meet and the teachers of the Sunday School for prayer and counsel.

Although without a pastor for four months, we feel that the God

of Abraham, of Isaac and of Jacob is our God; that he has not forsaken us, and while we have his promise, that, "when two or three are gathered together in his name, there he will be in the midst," we are not discouraged, believing that "all things will work together for good to them that love and serve the Lord." But, while we deeply regret the loss of our much esteemed and loved pastor, we cheerfully submit to the Divine will, with an assurance that our loss will be the gain of others, and in this change we recognize an over-ruling Providence, who doeth all things well.

GEO. W. CUMMINS, Senior Warden,  
WM. CUMMINS, Sec'ry.

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CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER.

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	5
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	3
Funeral,	-	-	-	-	1
Sunday School—Teachers 6, Scholars 25,	-	-	-	-	31
Contributions—Sunday School,	-	-	-	\$11 18	
“ Bishop White Parish Library,	-	-	-	3 50	
“ American Tract Society,	-	-	-	2 50	
“ Ch. Missionary Society,	-	-	-	2 50	
“ Diocesan “ “	-	-	-	3 00	
“ Bibles for Volunteers,	-	-	-	3 92	
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Public services, twice every Sunday.

JOHN CROCKAR WHITE, Minister in charge.

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CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	7
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	3
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	17
Public Services,	-	-	-	-	27
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	2
Collections—Convention Fund,	-	-	-	\$ 5 00	
“ Episcopal “	-	-	-	7 00	
“ Disabled Clergy,	-	-	-	6 00	
					<hr/> \$18 00

Although the money required for the proposed improvement of this Church was almost secured a year ago, it has been thought best not to enter on the work, but to postpone the measure till "better times." The parish is in a reasonably prosperous condition.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, CEDAR CREEK.

No report from this Church having been rendered to the Convention for some time past, it may be proper for the undersigned to state on behalf of the surviving Vestrymen, that these gentlemen, after consulting the feelings of the remaining churchmen of Cedar Creek and the vicinity, determined to sell the old Church building and certain moveable property pertaining to it, and to invest the proceeds in Bank Stock, or other productive securities. The house, with some of the furniture, was accordingly disposed of at public auction, in May, 1858; and the money which has been realized from the sale, will be invested in the above mentioned manner as opportunity offers.

The Church lot, one square acre on both sides of the highroad, has also been let out on ground-rent, upon a lease of thirty-three years from the above date, to the proprietor of the adjoining farm; a small portion occupied by graves, being reserved and enclosed by itself. The title of the land has thus been secured to the parish, against such a time, however distant, as in the providence of God the Church may come to revive.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. McKIM.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	10
Communicants	-	-	-	15
Marriages,	-	-	-	3
Burials,	-	-	-	6
Public Services,	-	-	-	29
Collections—Convention Fund,	-	-	\$10 00	
“ Episcopal “	-	-	6 00	
“ Disabled Clergy,	-	-	6 00	
“ Missionary and Prayer Book Societies,	-	-	7 50	
			<u>\$31 50</u>	

I have also officiated on two Sundays at St. George's Chapel, and administered there the Holy Communion once, that parish being without a Minister.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES.

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	14
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	38
“ Since removed,	-	-	-	-	4
“ Died,	-	-	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	11
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	44
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	8
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 5, Female 8,	-	-	-	-	13
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	55
“ Colored Scholars,	-	-	-	-	50

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions, Foreign,	-	-	-	\$10 34
“ “ from Sunday School,	-	-	-	11 00
“ Domestic,	-	-	-	5 00
“ Diocesan,	-	-	-	2 23
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	19 00
“ “ permanent,	-	-	-	8 14
Convention Fund,	-	-	-	6 00
Sufferers in Kansas, (Thanksgiving day,)	-	-	-	11 25
Bishop White Prayer Book Society,	-	-	-	6 00
Infirm and Disabled Clergy,	-	-	-	9 00
For Sunday School,	-	-	-	13 69
Prayer Books for Delaware Regiment,	-	-	-	5 00
Incidental expenses,	-	-	-	105 02

\$211 67

Public Services—On Sundays, 102; other days, 48. Total, 150

The children of the Sunday School have been catechised in the

Church, once a month, since Christmas; and a Bible Class has been held, weekly, since Epiphany. I have preached occasionally at St. George's Church, Indian River, and at Milton.

GEO. SEYMOUR LEWIS, Rector.

MINERSVILLE, Pa., May 20, 1861.

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:*

I herewith beg to forward you my report of the parishes under my charge, from last Convention up to the time of my leaving, September 10th, 1860.

ST. GEORGES CHURCH, INDIAN RIVER, AND CHAPEL OF THE  
COMFORTER, LONG NECK.

Baptisms—Infants, -	-	-	-	2
Communicants, -	-	-	-	17
Funerals, -	-	-	-	2
Sunday Schools, -	-	-	-	2
Teachers, say as before, Male 2, Female 5, -				7
Scholars, say, -	-	-	-	50
Contributions—Current expenses for year 1860,				\$25 50
Public Services in the Parish, -	-	-	-	12

WM. WRIGHT.

ST. MARK'S, MILLSBORO'.

Communicants—Number in last report, -	-	-	7
Sunday Schools, -	-	-	2
“ Teachers, Female, -	-	-	2
“ Scholars, (number unknown,) -	-	-	
Contributions—Missions, Domestic, -	-	-	\$ 57
“ Current expenses, -	-	-	1 00
			\$1 57
Public Services, -	-	-	7

WM. WRIGHT.

GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE MILLS.

Communicants, as in last report, -	-	-	5
Contributions—Missions, Domestic, -	-	-	\$0 67

Current expenses, from Dagsboro, -	-	3 00
		——\$3 67
Public Services, held at Dagsboro, -	-	- 8
		WM. WRIGHT.

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:*

During the absence of the Rev. Mr. Wright in August last, I served his people ; in October those of the Rev. Mr. Lewis. I have also officiated at other times when it appeared to be expedient.

DAVID MAC ILVAINE.

No reports received from St. Luke's, Seaford, and adjacent parishes.

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### EXTRACT FROM A SERMON

*Preached in Christ Church, Dover, at the Seventy-first Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware, June 5th, 1861. From Ps. 48 : 9.*

BY THE REV. S. C. BRINCKLE.

Another thought of God's loving kindness in His temple is that our Convention meets once more in *this Church*. Here, where more than a century and a half ago, the good seed of the Kingdom was first planted ; where, too, the first Diocesan Convention was held, and where, for a series of years it was accustomed to assemble ; though now for some thirty-seven years it has been excluded. This is our *re-union*, therefore—the family revisiting once more its ancient home. How natural are reminiscences and congratulations at such a time !

I go back in memory to my childhood, and among my earliest, tenderest recollections, I find this old, venerable church. It stands associated in my mind with the parents who brought me with them here to worship. The Church, as you have heard, was planted by one of my ancestors, and here had been the spiritual home of my

family. It is the Bethel of my recollections, towards which my heart has turned in all its vicissitudes. What a joy to see it so restored, the very building, time honored, and hallowed by so many associations, but so beautified and changed as to make it one of the finest in the diocese! What a joy to see our tribes come up to this ancient, but almost forgotten temple! Well may we take up the grateful strain, "We have thought of Thy loving kindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple."

The assembly here to-day calls to my recollection another Convention held in this church some forty-three years ago, at which I was present, though I then belonged to the diocese of Pennsylvania. There were then but four clergymen in this diocese, all told, and only two of them attended, one of these leaving on the morning of the first day. The President of the Convention was the Rev. Levi Bull, who had just been settled in Trinity Church, Wilmington. He was also the preacher. His text was from Nehemiah II: 20. "The God of heaven, He will prosper us, therefore we His servants will arise and build."

The sermon was earnest and faithful, depicting the low state of religion in the diocese, but full of encouragement of the right kind, to labor in the strength of God for its revival. Yet so offended was one of his hearers at the representation, that he pronounced it a slander upon the church.

Dark as that period was, in the history of our diocese, there was the dawning of a better day, which served to keep hope alive. The Convention, though small, was some advance on former ones, and upon the whole, cheering to the few brave hearts there, most of whom are now assembled in the church above. That Convention was memorable for one act; a movement in the right direction, and far in advance of the times. It was to this effect:

*"Resolved*, unanimously, that this Convention highly disapprove of theatres, public balls, gaming, and every species of dissipation, as not only in themselves pernicious to the morals and manners of the people, but as tending directly in their consequences to the destruction of vital piety and to the abolition of all religion. And this Convention most earnestly recommend it to the members of this

church, and entreat them, as they regard their everlasting happiness, not to attend theatres, horse-races, public balls and other plays and sports of the same nature, that they abstain from card-playing and every kind of gaming, and that they endeavor to live temperately and soberly, and by all means to avoid the use of vinous or spirituous liquors, except in cases where their health may require it."

The Journal does not give the name of the mover of this resolution, but as I well remember, it was the late Chancellor Ridgely. The world knew him as the profound jurist, whose comprehensive mind had moulded the Equity system of his State; as the judge of unsullied purity and uprightness, whose decisions it were a heresy to dispute. So he passed among men, and so he was. But his chief adornment was his beautiful Christian simplicity, and the fidelity of his walk with God his Saviour. I shall never forget his noble presence, as I saw him here, in that Convention, and seem to see him now, with his eagle eye, and beaming countenance, as I recall the old pulpit and desk, the chancel with its quaint furniture, and the high-backed pews of former days. Nor shall I forget his words of affectionate counsel to myself, who had just entered the Ministry, which so impressed me then, and which I am sure I have treasured up in my heart.

As we dwell in pleasing recollection upon those servants of God who went in and out before Him in this house, but who now live with Him in the upper temple, our hearty thanks for their example again find language in the text, "We have thought of thy loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple."

The following is the amount of Assessment on each Parish in the Diocese for the support of the Episcopate, which is to be remitted annually to the Treasurer of the Convention, in accordance with Canon XV.

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	\$ 19 50
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	-	22 00
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	110 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	97 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	52 50
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	53 00
St. James', Newport,	-	3 50
St. James', Stanton,	-	11 50
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	17 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	8 00
St. Ann's, Middletown,	-	27 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	17 50
Christ Church, Dover,	-	2 50
Christ Church, Milford,	-	8 50
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	7 50
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	22 00
St. George's Church, Indian River, and Chapel of Com-		
forter, Long Neck,	-	8 50
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	-	3 50
Graco Church, Baltimore Mills,	-	2 50
St. John's, Little Hill,	-	16 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Phillip's Chapel,		
Laurel,	-	7 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	14 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,	-	8 00

The following table exhibits the sum which each Parish is required to contribute to the Convention Fund, in accordance with Canon X.

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	8 00
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	-	10 00
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	15 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	15 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	15 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	15 00
St. James', Newport,	-	5 00
St. James', Stanton,	-	6 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	8 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	5 00
St. Ann's, Middletown,	-	10 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	8 00
Christ Church, Milford,	-	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	10 00
St. George's Church, Indian River, and Chapel of the Com-		
forter, Long Neck,	-	5 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	-	5 00
Grace, Baltimore Mills,	-	5 00
St. John's, Little Hill,	-	8 00
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and St. Phillip's Chapel,		
Laurel,	-	5 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	6 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,	-	5 00
Christ Church, Dover	-	5 00

# ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—1861.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	BAPTISMS.			COMMUNICANTS.							SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						
	Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Lost.	Added.	Present No.	Marriages.	Funerals.	Male.		Female.		Total.	
												Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.		
Ascension Church, Claymont,	23	16	39	10				11	39	2	2	3	0	12	60	103	70
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	15	17	32	15		2		14	44	2	5	3		12	60	103	163
St. Andrews, Wilmington,	81	8	89	12	6	10	8	10	220	4	20	31	68	99	306	528	923
Trinity Church, "	57	10	67	18	9	6		29	194	19	32			30			300
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	14	8	22	7	3	8	2	4	105	1	13	1	14	15	92	88	180
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	12	8	20					2	106	2	8			*10			*77
St. James', Newport,	3	1	4					2	7					6			45
St. James', Stanton,	11	1	12		2			6	23	4	14			5			45
St. Thomas', Newark,	18	6	24		1	8	4	1	34		8	3	6	9	86	35	71
Christ Church, Delaware City,	1	1	2	1		4		2	16			1	6	0	18	32	50
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	45	9	54	6		8		19	64	8	11	6	15	6			45
St. Peter's, Seaford,	8		8	1		9	4	2	25		4	6	15	21			120
Christ Church, Dover,	1	1	2						5		1			6			26
Christ Church, Milford,	7		7	3					17	21							
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	10		10						15	3	6			*8			*60
St. Peter's, Lewes,	14		14	2	1	4		11	44	2	8	5	8	13			105
St. George's, Ind. Riv., & Chapel of the Comforter,	2		2						17		2	5		7			50
St. Mark's, Millsboro,																	
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,									6								
St. Luke's, Seaford,				4					*28					*8			*40
Christ Ch., Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel,									*14								
St. John's, Little Hill,									*32								
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,									*16								
Total, -	267	70	337	70	22	40	18	110	1077	52	124			270			2359

\*Report of 1860.

# ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS, 1861.—CONTRIBUTIONS.

## MISSIONS.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	MISSIONS.					Charitable.		Episcopate.	Convention.	Parochial Purposes.	Other Objects.	Total.
	Diocesan	Domestic	Foreign	Missions.	Missions.							
Ascension Ch., Claymont,	\$ 18 00	\$ 75 89	\$ 45 00			\$ 65 00	\$ 19 50	\$ 6 00	\$ 12 00	\$ 310 00	\$ 551 89	Cur'nt exp's not incl'd.
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	1 63	6 50	6 00			104 25	16 00	8 00	1,253 00	75 89	1,471 27	Cur'nt exp's included.
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	95 00	82 91	163 56			397 57	112 50	15 00		43 57	910 10	Cur'nt exp's not incl'd.
Trinity Church, "	84 78	163 15				899 17	90 00	15 00	2,347 81	170 00	3,269 91	Cur'nt exp's included.
Christ Church, Christiana Hd.	50 75	190 25	130 01			42 10	54 00	15 00	35 06		517 17	Cur'nt exp's not incl'd.
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	62 63	114 03	59 79			181 71	87 20			74 48	629 84	Cur'nt exp's not incl'd.
St. James', Newport,		18 88	14 25			69	2 00	5 00		32 85	73 67	" " "
St. James', Stanton,		69 60	11 00			26 75	6 50	5 00		21 00	139 85	" " "
St. Thomas', Newark,	25 00	50 00	47 38			110 34	20 50	10 00	127 22		290 44	" " "
Christ Church, Delaware City,			6 40				8 50	5 00	330 00		319 90	Cur'nt exp's included.
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	5 00	25 00				21 00	26 00	10 00	6 00 00		687 00	" " "
St. Peter's, Sinyrna,	3 00	18 00	45 52			28 72	23 00	10 00	72 87	76 75	274 86	Cur'nt exp's not incl'd.
Christ Church, Dover,		2 50				3 92			11 18	6 00	26 50	" " "
Christ Church, Milford,						6 00	7 00	5 00			18 00	" " "
St. Paul's, Georgetown,						6 00	8 00	10 00			31 50	" " "
St. Peter's, Lewes,	2 23	5 00	21 34			20 25	19 00	6 00	118 71	19 14	211 67	" " "
St. George's, Ind. Riv., & Chapel,									25 50		25 50	
St. Mark's, Millsboro,		57							1 00		1 57	
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,		67							3 00		3 67	
*St. Luke's, Seaford, *												
*Christ Ch., Br'd Cr'k, & Chapel,												
*St. John's, Little Hill,												
*St. Mark's, Little Creek,												
Total,	\$348 02	\$323 54	\$550 24			\$1,863 47	\$499 70	\$125 00	\$4,907 35	\$820 59	\$9,451 41	

\*No report

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer of the Fund for Disabled Clergy of the  
Diocese of Delaware.* DR.

1860.				
June 6,	To cash from Ascension Church,			12 00
July 2,	" " St. Andrew's Church,			17 71
" 7,	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,			20 19
" 12,	" " Rev. M. B. Smith,			5 00
" 21,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq.,			10 00
Sept. 4,	" " " "			5 00
" 28,	" " Rt. Rev. Bishop Lee,			10 00
" 29,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq.,			5 00
Oct. 10,	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,			20 00
" 18,	" " Ascension Church,			12 00
Nov. 2,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq.,			5 00
" 6,	" " Rt. Rev. Bishop Lee,			25 00
" 27,	" " Christ Church, Delaware City,			3 00
Dec. 3,	" " St. Peter's Smyrna,			15 00
" "	" " St. Thomas' Newark,			15 00
" 4,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq.,			5 00
" 5,	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,			12 00
" 10,	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,			6 00
" 29,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq.,			5 00
" 31,	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,			55 00
1861.				
Jan. 17,	" " St. Peter's Lewes,			3 00
" 31,	" " C. D. Howell, Esq.,			5 00
Feb 25,	" " " "			5 00
" 27,	" " St. Andrew's School,			30 00
Apr 13,	" " " " Church,			22 29
" 25,	" " Ascension Church,			12 00
May 7,	" " Trinity Church,			50 00
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				390 19
	By cash paid to and for the Rev. Mr. Chambers at sundry times, as per book account :			<hr/>
				388 21
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June 5,	Balance in Treasury,			1 98
" "	To cash from St. James Church, Newport,			69
" "	" " " " Stanton,			1 50

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer in account with the Episcopal Fund of the  
Diocese of Delaware.*

DR.

1860.						
June 5,	To balance in Treasury,					165 00
" 6,	To cash from St. James Church, Newport,					2 00
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown					9 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Delaware City,					6 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,					20 00
" "	" " Ascension Church, Claymont,					13 50
" "	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford.					14 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Broad Creek,					6 90
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,					7 00
" "	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,					18 50
" "	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,					26 00
Sep. 25	" " Immanuel Church, New Castle,					37 50
1861.						
Mar. 15	" " " " " "					53 50
May 15,	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,					54 00
" "	" " St. Andrew's, Wilmington,					112 50
						<hr/> \$545 40
	To balance in Treasury,					57 50
June 5,	To cash from Ascension Church,					19 50
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,					8 00
" "	" " St. Luke's Church, Seaford.					7 00
" "	" " St. James' Church, Newport,					2 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Smyrna,					23 00
" "	" " St. Ann's Church, Middletown,					15 00
" "	" " St. Peter's Church, Lewes,					19 00
" "	" " St. Thomas' Church, Newark,					20 50
" "	" " St. Paul's Church, Georgetown,					8 00
" 21,	" " Trinity Church, Wilmington,					90 00

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Diocese of Delaware.*

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1860.						
June 9,	By cash paid Rt. Rev. Bishop Lee,					287 90
Mar. 4,	" " " " " "					37 50
May 13	" " " " " "					50 00
" 15,	" " " " " "					112 50
	By balance in Treasury,					57 50
						<hr/> 545 40
June 15	By cash paid Rt. Rev. Bishop Lee,					110 00
" 25	" " " " " "					65 00

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*  
DR.

1860.					1
June 5,	To balance in Treasury,				72 21
" 6,	To cash from St. James', Newport,				5 00
" "	" " St. Paul's, Georgetown,				5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's, Smyrna,				8 00
" "	" " St. George's, Indian River,				5 00
" "	" " St. Mark's, Millsboro,				7 50
" "	" " Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,				6 00
" "	" " St. Peter's, Lewes,				10 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,				5 00
" "	" " St. Thomas', Newark,				8 00
" "	" " St. Ann's, Middletown,				10 00
" "	" " St. Luke's, Seaford,				6 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Broad Creek, and Chapel,				5 00
" "	" " St. Mark's, Little Creek,				3 25
" "	" " St. John's, Little Hill,				8 00
1861.					
Apr 16,	" " Trinity, Wilmington,				15 00
May 18,	" " St. James', Stanton,				5 00
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					183 96
June 4	To balance in Treasury,				23 62
" 5,	To cash from St. Andrew's Church,				15 00
" "	" " Ascension Church,				6 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,				5 00
" "	" " St. Luke's, Seaford,				5 00
" "	" " St. James', Newport,				5 00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,				15 00
" "	" " St. Peter's, Smyrna,				10 00
" "	" " St. Ann's, Middletown,				10 00
" "	" " St. Mark's, Millsboro,				5 00
" "	" " St. George's, Indian River,				5 00
" "	" " St. Peter's, Lewes,				6 00
" "	" " St. Thomas', Newark,				10 00
" "	" " St. Paul's, Georgetown,				5 00
" 12,	" " Christ Church Broad Creek, and Chapel,				4 31

*John B. Lewis, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*  
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1860.		
June 6,	By cash paid Sexton of St. Ann's Church, as per order of Convention.	5 00
July 18	By cash paid Henry Eckel. Esq., for publishing the Journal of Convention and the Bishop's Charge,	112 06
" "	By cash paid Dr. J. F. Wilson, by order of Convention,	8 93
1861.		
Mar. 4	By cash paid Herman Cope. Esq., Treasurer of General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as per order of Convention,	16 35
May	By cash paid Rev. S. R. Slack, as per order of Convention	18 00
	By balance in Treasury,	23 62
		183 96
June	By cash paid Sexton of Christ Church, Dover,	3 00



# STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

*From the Episcopal Address, Parochial Reports, &c.*

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese,	-	18
Number of Parishes in union with the Convention,	-	25
Number of Clergymen having more than one parochial charge,		3
Churches consecrated,	-	0
Church buildings,	-	28
Clergymen received with letters dimissory,	-	3
Clergymen to whom letters dimissory have been given,		5
Ordained to the Diaconate,	-	0
Ordained to the Priesthood,	-	3
Baptisms—Adults 70, Infants 267, total,	-	337
Confirmed,	-	79
Communicants—Added 110, lost by removal 49, lost by death 22, present number,	-	1077
Marriages,	-	52
Funerals,	-	124
Sunday School Teachers,	-	270
“ Scholars,	-	2359

## *Contributions.*

To Missions—Domestic, \$823 54 ; Diocesan, \$348 02 ; Foreign, \$550 24 ; total,	-	\$ 1,729 30
To the Episcopal Fund, from 14 churches,	-	499 70
To the Convention Fund, from 14 churches,	-	125 00
Alms and Clergy relief, from 16 churches,	-	1,363 47
Parochial purposes,	-	4,907 35
Other objects,	-	829 59
Total amount of contributions from 23 churches,		9,454 41

## NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in St. Peters Church, Lewes, on the first Wednesday in June, 1862, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

## • CONTRIBUTIONS, &c.,

to the

**EPISCOPAL FUND,**

and the

## CONVENTION FUND,

should be sent

To Mr. JOHN B. LEWIS, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

**To the**

**MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE,**

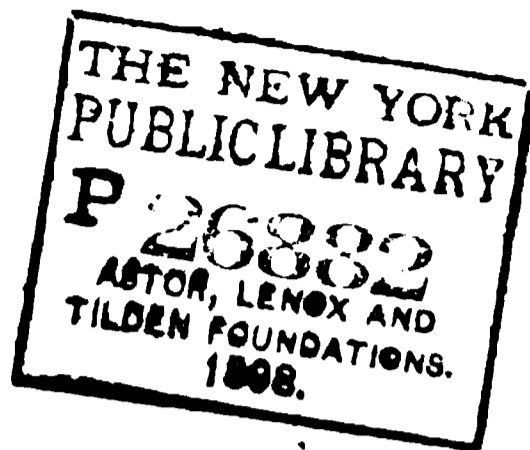
To Dr. JAMES F. WILSON, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

**To the**

**Fund for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen,**

To Mr. JOHN B. LEWIS, Wilmington.

*Rev. Mr. Henry Brooks*



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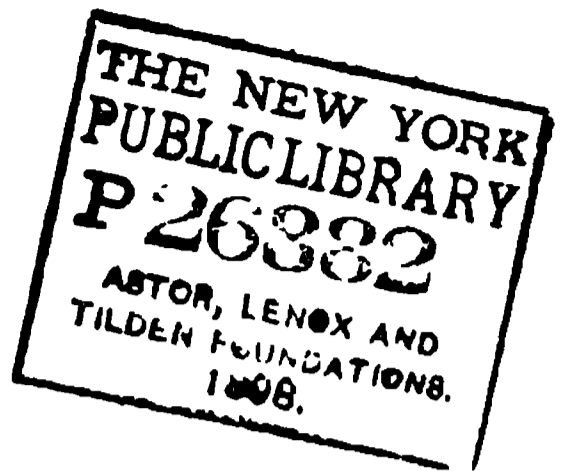
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# LIST

*Of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Canonically  
Resident in the Diocese of Delaware, June 4th, 1862.*

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- \*RIGHT REV. ALFRED LEE, Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
- \*REV. CHARLES BRECK, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington.
- \*REV. SAMUEL C. BRINCKLE, Rector of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.
- \*REV. CORY CHAMBERS, residing in Wilmington.
- \*REV. JOHN B. CLEMON, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont.
- \*REV. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Rector of Immanuel Church, New Castle.
- REV. HENRY S. GETZ, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna.
- \*REV. ROBERT L. GOLDSBOROUGH, Rector of St. Ann's Church, Appoquinimink.
- \*REV. GEORGE HALL, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Seaford; Christ Church, Broad Creek; St. John's, Little Hill, and St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred.
- \*REV. SAMUEL F. HOTCHKIN, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Ascension, Claymont.
- \*REV. ROBERT J. KEELING, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Newark, and Christ Church, Delaware City.
- \*REV. WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector of St. James' Church, Stanton, and St. James', Newport.
- \*REV. JOHN L. MCKIM, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Georgetown.
- REV. DAVID MACILVAINE, Deacon, residing at Lewes.
- \*REV. JOSEPH N. MULFORD, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington.
- \*REV. STEVENS PARKER, Rector of St. John's Church, Brandywine Village.
- \*REV. JACOB RAMBO, Rector of St. George's Church, Indian River Hundred; St. Mark's, Millsboro', and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills.
- \*REV. J. CROCKAR WHITE, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Dover.

ALFRED LEE,

*Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Delaware.*

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\*Designates those entitled to seats in the Convention.

# LIST OF LAY DELEGATES,

*Certificates of whose election by their respective Churches were presented and approved.*

<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
New Castle,	Ascension, Claymont,	{ James Brown, Samnel G. Lodge.
	Grace Ch., Brandywine Hd.,	{ Valentine Forward, *Wm. P. Clyde.
	St. John's, Brandywine Village,	Not represented.
	Calvary, Brandywine Hundred,	Not represented.
	St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ John B. Lewis, Gregg Chandler.
	Trinity, Wilmington,	{ E. G. Bradford, T. J. Adams.
	Christ Ch., Christiana Hundred,	{ Charles Green, James Bratton.
	Immanuel Church, New Castle,	{ Wm. T. Read, Nathaniel Wolfe.
	St. James', Stanton,	Franklin Fell.
	St. James', Newport,	Wm. Jenks Fell,
	St. Thomas' Newark,	{ Benjamin Caulk, Solomon M. Curtis.
	Christ Church, Delaware City,	Not represented.
	St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	{ T. S. Merritt, Scwell Green.
		{ George W. Cummins, Dr. Wm Cummins.
Kent,	St. Peter's, Smyrna,	{ Thomas Slaughter, Thomas O. Culbreth.
	Christ Church, Dover,	{ Dr. Mark G. Lofland, Thomas Wallace.
	Christ Church, Milford,	{ John H. Painter, Thomas Robinson.
Sussex,	St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ J. B. Burton, J. F. Burton.
	St. George's, Indian River,	{ N. W. Hickman, Dr. Joseph B. Lyons.
	St. Peter's, Lewes,	Burton P. Cannon.
	Christ Church, Broad Creek, and	Wm. R. Ellis.
	St. Phillip's Chapel, Laurel,	Not represented.
	St. Mark's, Little Creek,	" "
	St. Luke's, Seaford,	" "
	St. John's, Little Hill,	" "
	St. Mark's, Millsboro,	" "
	Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	" "

**\*Absent.**

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES, June 4th, 1862.

This being the day appointed by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware, at its last session, for the annual meeting of the same, the Bishop of the Diocese and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M., in St. Peter's Church, Lewes. The Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The Secretary called the names of such of the Clergy as were entitled to seats in the Convention under the Constitution, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, viz :

The Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D.,  
" Charles Breck,  
" John B. Clemson, D. D.,  
" Robert L. Goldsborough,  
" Samuel F. Hotchkin,  
" J. Crocker White,  
" George Hall,  
" Joseph N. Mulford,  
" Stevens Parker,  
" Jacob Rambo,  
" William Marshall,  
" Benjamin Franklin.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson, and Franklin Fell, Esq., were appointed to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates.

Of the Lay Delegates reported by the committee as duly elected, the following gentlemen answered to their names and took seats in the Convention :

St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	{ John B. Lewis, Gregg Chandler.
Trinity, Wilmington,	{ E. G. Bradford, T. J. Adams.
St. James', Stanton,	Franklin Fell,
St. James', Newport,	Wm. Jenks Fell.
Ascension, Claymont,	{ James Brown, Samuel G. Lodge.
St. Thomas', Newark,	{ Benjamin Caulk, S. M. Curtis.
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	{ Charles Green, James Bratton.
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	{ T. S. Merritt, Sewell Green.
Immanuel, New Castle,	{ Wm. T. Read,, Nathaniel Wolfe.
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,	Valentine Forward.
Christ Church, Milford,	{ Dr. Mark G Lofland, Thomas Wallace.
Christ Church, Dover,	{ Thomas Slaughter, Thomas O. Culbreth.
St Peter's, Smyrna,	{ Geo. W. Cummins, Dr. Wm. Cummins.
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	{ John H. Painter, Thomas Robinson.
St. Peter's, Lewes,	{ N. W. Hickman, Dr. Joseph B. Lyons.
Christ Church, Broad Creek, and } St. Phillip's Chapel Laurel, }	Burton P. Cannon.
St. Mark's, Little Creek,	Wm. R. Ellis.
St. George's, Indian River,	{ J. B. Burton, J. F. Burton.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Secretary. The Rev. R. L. Goldsborough and Mr. Gregg Chandler were appointed tellers, and upon counting the votes, reported that Solomon M. Curtis had been duly elected.

Whereupon the Chair declared S. M. Curtis to be Secretary for the ensuing year.

Rev. Dr. Clemson, from the committee having in charge the correcting and transcribing of the Journals of 1859-60, reported that they had performed that duty, and asked to be discharged, which request was granted, and the Treasurer was directed to pay the amount of expenses incurred—\$16.

Dr. Wm. Cummins offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That Clergymen belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to this Diocese, and Students of Theology, who are candidates for Holy Orders in this Church, who may be present, be and they are hereby invited to attend the sittings of this Convention.

The Rev. Henry S. Getz and the Rev. D. MacIlvaine, of the Diocese of Delaware, the Rev. Charles R. Bonnell, the Rev. J. Pinkney Hammond, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; and Mr. J. Pleasanton Du Hamel, Candidate for Orders, in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, were present.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Franklin, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present session.

## RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the Chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the house, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the house, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the house.

6. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the house, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the house.

7. If a question in debate contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

8. While the President is putting any question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the house, or read any book.

9. Every member who shall be in the house when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be particularly interested in the decision.

10. No motion shall be considered as before the house unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required.

11. When any question is before the house it shall be determined on before any new thing is introduced, except the question for adjournment.

12. The question on a motion for adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.

13. When the house is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

14. The Journals of the Convention shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and a copy sent to each member of the Convention.

15. The Charge or Sermon, when delivered by the Bishop before the Convention, shall be published by the Secretary, under the supervision of the Bishop, and one copy sent to each clergyman, and ten copies to each vestry in the Diocese.

Rev. Mr. Franklin from the Committee on the Endowment of the Episcopate, reported progress, and asked to be continued, which request was granted. He also resigned his position as a member of the committee, and, on his motion, Rev. Mr. White was elected to fill the vacancy.

On motion of Benjamin Caulk, the account of the Secretary, amounting to \$6.58, was allowed.

The Rev. Dr. Clemson offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Rector and Wardens of every Parish to see that a collection be made annually for the fund for the Endowment of the Episcopate.

The Rev. Mr. Franklin moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words, "Wardens of," and insert, "the Delegates from."

Pending the discussion, the Rev. Mr. Breck moved, that the whole subject be made the order of the day immediately after the reading of the Bishop's Address, which motion prevailed.

Mr. John B. Lewis presented the annual accounts of the Treasurer. The Bishop appointed Messrs. James Brown and T. J. Adams a committee to audit the same, and they subsequently reported that they found them correct.

The Convention then took a recess for Divine service.

The order for daily morning prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Clemson, Rector of Church of the Ascension, and the Rev. George Hall, Rector of St. Luke's, Seaford.

The Ante-Communion service was read by the Bishop and the Rev. R. L. Goldsborough, Rector of St. Ann's, Appoquinimink; the Bishop reading the Gospel.

After the singing of four verses of the 98th hymn, the Convention sermon was delivered by the Rev. Charles Breck, Rector of Trinity Church, Wilmington, from a part of the 4th verse of the 9th chapter of the Gospel of St. John.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Goldsborough.

The congregation having been dismissed, the Bishop resumed the chair and called the House to order.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Clemson, it was

*Resolved*, That when the Convention adjourns, it adjourn to meet at three o'clock this afternoon.

The Convention then adjourned.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES, }  
June 4th, 3 o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention re-assembled pursuant to adjournment.

The Bishop called the House to order. The Secretary called the roll.

- The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. John B. Lewis, a committee of three was appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the fund for infirm and disabled Clergymen.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Franklin, Messrs. G. W. Cummins and Franklin Fell.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

## ADDRESS

*To the Clerical and Lay Members of the Seventy-second Annual Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.*

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Meeting where we do to-day, beloved brethren, one of the first thoughts that occur to us is that unlooked-for dispensation of Divine Providence which has taken from our midst the late Rector of this Parish. We find a void in the little company of clerical laborers, and miss the cordial greeting that would have welcomed our present gathering on the part of our lamented brother. Not among the least of the inducements to select this church for the meeting place of our present Convention, was his urgently expressed desire, and the anticipation of the pleasure that would be received and imparted by our intercourse with him on such an occasion. It is an impressive comment upon the uncertainty of life and earthly prospects, that the one of our last assemblage first gathered to the tomb, should have been the most youthful; that while those who have long borne the burden and heat of the day still survive, the race so recently

commenced should be abruptly terminated, and the morning grass should be mowed by the fatal scythe.

The Rev. George Seymour Lewis departed this life, August 1st, 1861, after a very brief illness, consequent upon exposure in crossing the Bay. He died in the midst of his sympathizing parishioners who did all that man could do to alleviate his sufferings. He had been in charge of this church about fifteen months, and was looking forward to his ordination to the Priesthood in October ensuing, when he would have attained the canonical age. In my parting interview with him, I had arranged to visit the church for that purpose. But ere the expected day arrived his ministry in temples built with hands was ended. The Master, to whom he was ready to pledge a life-long service, accepted in stead the willing mind.

Our young brother had entered upon his ministerial duties with a fervent spirit and a sincere desire to glorify God and prove a blessing to his people, and his amiability and friendliness of manner had won the affectionate regard of those among us who had an opportunity of knowing him. While we drop the tear of fraternal sympathy over his early grave, let us heed its admonitory lesson, "Be ye also ready, for at such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh."

The past twelve-month has been also marked with impressive instances of mortality in our church at large. While death has been gathering his harvests on the battle field, he has claimed none the less his accustomed tribute in the peaceful walks of life. Two of our eminent and revered Bishops have disappeared from the scene of their labors.

In the recent decease of the venerable Bishop Meade, of Virginia, we have lost one who had for many years occupied a prominent place in the councils of our Church, and who had exerted an influence probably inferior to that of no other clergyman of the present day. His name will be historical in the annals of his native State, and of the Protestant Episcopal Church. In the roll of our Episcopate he was second in seniority, and at the last session of the General Convention presided in the House of Bishops. The venerable senior

Bishop, at a more advanced stage of life is, in the Providence of God, still spared to the church, which never more needed his matured wisdom and godly counsels.

The removal of the Rt. Rev. Samuel Bowman, of Pennsylvania, was a sudden and inscrutable event, attended by circumstances so remarkable as to startle and solemnize our whole Communion. In the apparent enjoyment of health and vigor, with the promise to human eye of many years of active service, pursuing his journey on an errand of official duty, he fell by the way-side and yielded up his spirit to its Redeemer. Like Moses he died alone with God, no human friend or watcher near. But who that knew his godly sincerity and earnestness could doubt that, let the last hour come when and how it might, he would be found ready.

On the 6th of August, 1861, I assisted at the last solemn service, when his remains were committed to the grave in Lancaster, Pa., in the midst of a deeply sympathizing community and a weeping flock.

To these conspicuous triumphs of the last enemy might be added the names of several of the most esteemed and honored of our Presbyters, who have crossed the river of death, and have gone to swell the great company whose places on earth know them no more.

The Parish, in which our present Convention meets, has not only suffered the loss of its Pastor, but by the very sudden decease of John Rodney, Esq., has lost a zealous member and efficient vestryman, by whom it had been frequently represented in this body and whom we met at our last session. May we so redeem the time that our summons shall find us abounding in the work of the Lord, and our mortality be swallowed up of life.

In proceeding to notice what has been done in the way of Diocesan duty, I notice that on the 24th August, 1861, I was present at a convocation held in St. Ann's Church, Appoquinimink, rendered interesting and agreeable by the numerous attendance of the parishioners and the courteous hospitalities of the Rector. On this occasion,

I preached, assisted in the Holy Communion, and, at the Rector's request, baptized an infant.

September 22d, 1861, in the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, I ordained to the Priesthood the Rev. Samuel F. Hotchkin, Assistant Minister of that Parish, administered confirmation, and took part in the administration of the Lord's Supper. In addition to his duties at the Ascension, the Rev. Mr. Hotchkin has been endeavoring to revive Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred, which has had for years but a nominal existence, and has also been taking measures to secure the erection of a Church edifice near the Union Meeting House.

October 10th and 11th, I attended the meeting of the General Board of Missions in the city of Philadelphia.

December 3d, in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, I admitted to the Order of Deacons, Mr. Joseph Newton Mulford, on which occasion the sermon was preached by the Rev. Richard Newton, D. D., of Philadelphia. Mr. Mulford had been previously transferred as a Candidate for Orders from Pennsylvania to this Diocese. He accepted an invitation to become Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's, and entered immediately upon his duties.

January 22d, 1862, by appointment of the presiding Bishop, I officiated as one of consecrators of the Rev. William Bacon Stevens, elected Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. It is matter of congratulation that the vacancy occasioned by Bishop Bowman's decease has been so speedily and satisfactorily filled, and that Bishop Potter has one to share with him the arduous labors of his extensive Diocese.

The Churches and Missionary stations have been visited as usual during the year, and I have just completed a tour of official duty of an interesting and on the whole of an encouraging character. It has been especially gratifying to find a number of parishes, that had been for a considerable time vacant, renewedly enjoying pastoral services. About the average number of sermons and addresses have been delivered.

## CLERICAL CHANGES.

The Rev. Jacob Rambo, for many years Missionary in Western Africa, has become the Rector of St. George's, Indian River, St. Mark's, Millsboro', and Grace Church, Baltimore Mills. Mr. Rambo entered upon his duties in September last, and has been since laboriously engaged in the wide district embraced within his charge, holding frequent services in dwellings and school houses, as well as meeting the regular appointments in the churches. Such efforts give the best promise of success in this part of the Diocese, reaching many who are not found in our ordinary congregations, and I cannot but trust that the unwearied exertions of Mr. Rambo will be crowned with the desired blessing.

The large Missionary field in the Western part of Sussex County, resigned by Rev. J. L. Gay just before our last Convention, remained vacant until December last, when the Rev. George Hall entered upon the charge of St. Luke's Church, Seaford, Christ Church, Broad Creek, St. John's, Little Hill, and St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred. It gave me much pleasure to welcome back to the Diocese one who had been in years past our fellow laborer, and who could therefore bring to this peculiar field that experience and acquaintance with its character which are so desirable. On my recent visit to St. Phillip's Chapel, Laurel, I baptized the infant child of the Rector.

The Rev. N. C. Pridham resigned his situation as Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's, Wilmington, in October last.

The vacancy occasioned by the death of the Rev. Mr. Lewis has not yet been filled, but will, I trust, ere long be acceptably supplied. The Rev. D. McIlvaine has cheerfully rendered his services during the interval.

The Rev. Henry S. Getz of Pennsylvania, accepted a call to the Rectorship of St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, and entered upon his duties, April 1st, 1862. The Parish had remained vacant about fifteen months, although repeated efforts had been made to obtain a pastor. The church has, however, been opened without interruption, and the Sunday School well sustained, by means of cleri-

cal supplies, and the zealous exertions of one of its members who has rendered good service as Lay Reader, and thus the injurious effects of a vacancy to a considerable degree obviated. The accession of the Rev. Mr. Getz has given much satisfaction and encouragement, and he has been warmly welcomed to his new field of labor. In July last, I officiated at the funeral of the late lamented Daniel Cummins, Esq.

The Rev. James Chrystal resigned in April his office as Assistant Minister of St. John's Church, Brandywine Village.

The Rev. John L. McKim resigned at Easter the Rectorship of Christ Church, Milford.

Other Pastoral relations continue as reported to the last Convention.

#### ADDITIONS

To the Clergy canonically resident have been :

The Rev. Jacob Rambo, from Pennsylvania, accepted October 18th, 1861.

The Rev. George Hall, from Pennsylvania, accepted December 4th, 1861.

The Rev. Henry S. Getz, from Pennsylvania, accepted April 17th, 1862.

The Rev. Joseph N. Mulford, ordained December 3d, 1861.

#### LOSSES.

The Rev. Thomas G. Clemson, transferred to Pennsylvania, July 6th, 1861.

The Rev. N. C. Pridham, transferred to Maryland, October 16th, 1861.

The Rev. James Chrystal, transferred to Maryland, April 26th, 1862.

The Rev. George S. Lewis, deceased, August 1st, 1861.

Our clerical force remains the same as last year.

Mr. Thomas McKee Brown has been admitted as a candidate for Holy Orders, from June 4th, 1862.

### CONFIRMATIONS.

There have been confirmed in Church of the As-			
cension, Claymont,	-	-	- 9 persons.
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	-	17 "
Trinity, Wilmington, (including three in private,)			18 "
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	-	4 - "
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	-	12 "
St. James', Newport,	-	-	4 "
St. James', Stanton,	-	-	2 "
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	-	6 "
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	-	1 "
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	-	-	10 "
Christ Church, Dover,	-	-	3 "
Christ Church, Milford,	-	-	2 "
For St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	-	1 "
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	-	3 "
St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel,	-	-	3 "
Chapel of Comforter, Long Neck,	-	-	3 "
Total,			- 98

The period since we last met in Convention has been one of intense excitement. A new and blood-stained page of our national history has been unfolded, and we have been agitated by the terrible realities of internecine war. A year ago we were in a state of dread expectancy, watching with hushed breath the gathering storm-clouds, and awaiting with deep anxiety the fearful explosion. As a nation we seemed on the very verge of destruction, threatened with disruption, anarchy and interminable warfare. To human eye the prospect was dark indeed. Although the sword is yet unsheathed, yet have we had such experience of Divine protection as may well strengthen our faith and assure our hearts with the confidence that God hath not forsaken us in our extreme peril. From the most appalling dangers to which a great people were ever exposed we have been mercifully preserved, and from its bloody baptism our nation may come forth purified and strengthened.

In the stern and awful crisis through which we have been passing, I have been constrained by most sacred and imperative convictions to declare, without concealment or reserve, my views of what our holy religion, under such circumstances, teaches and requires. When the foundations of society and government were threatened with subversion, to have kept back the plain testimony of Scripture, upon great questions of civil obligation and responsibility, would have been to shun to declare the whole counsel of God. On the page of the New Testament rebellion against a lawfully established government is a sin against God. Under the gravest sense of responsibility to the flock over which the Holy Ghost hath made me overseer, and to the Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls, I have not felt at liberty to ignore and pass over those emphatic passages which require every soul to be subject to the powers that be, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. In so doing I have felt that I was carrying out the principles of my Church, which, while keeping aloof from matters of mere secular policy, has from the organization of our government offered prayer, supplication and intercession for the President of the United States, and for the Senate and Representatives of the same in Congress assembled, thus recognizing their lawful sovereignty, has taught even children in her catechetical exposition of the 5th commandment "to honor and obey the civil authority," and has prayed without ceasing to be delivered "from all sedition, privy conspiracy and rebellion."

So far as our own State and Diocese are concerned we have surely reason for very great thankfulness. No part of our country has suffered less from the effect of hostilities. While the thunders of war have been rolling so near us, how peaceful and untroubled our own borders! How little interruption of the pursuits of industry! How remarkably exempt have we been from the losses and bereavements which follow the shock of warring armies! And while in many parts of our land the Church of Christ has been so distracted and prostrated, sanctuaries closed, altars deserted, the ways of Zion mourning, even Christian ministers taking the sword and mingling in the carnage, what cause for gratitude that our churches have

been so free from agitation, and that we have been permitted to prosecute our great work without let or hindrance. Deeply impressed with these signal mercies, let us gird ourselves with fresh energy, promote in every possible way the spread of that gospel which alone can fully and finally tranquillize a distracted and bleeding country, and scatter far and wide those leaves of the tree of life which are for the healing of the nations.

ALFRED LEE.

Dr. Clemson offered the following as a substitute for the resolution proposed by him in the morning:

*Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Rector and Wardens of every parish to see that a collection be annually made on the Festival of Whit-Sunday, or on some other day as the Rector may see fit, for the fund for the endowment of the Episcopate; provided, that the collection for this year be made on the first Sunday in July.

The Resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Breck, the following resolution was adopted:

The securing to the Diocese an adequate support for the Bishop having been a subject which the late Alexis I. du Pont had deeply at heart; and in his last will and testament left the sum of five thousand dollars to lay the foundation of a fund for the same, which was lost to the Diocese by reason of the invalidity of his last will and testament; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we recommend this subject to the members of the Church throughout the Diocese who are blessed with means, and earnestly request them to make such a disposition from the abundance of their resources as will tend to the promotion of such a desirable object.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Franklin, it was ordered, that the above resolution be brought before every Parish in the Diocese, once a year, in such manner as the Rector may think best.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Franklin, the Treasurer was directed to pay for the printing of the Journal of 1861.

Mr. Wm. T. Read moved that the Convention proceed

to the election of a Standing Committee; which motion prevailed.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. Stevens Parker and J. C. White on the part of the Clergy, and Messrs. E. G. Bradford and Dr. Wm. Cummins, on the part of the Laity, Tellers.

Mr. Wm. T. Read presented and read the abstract of the proceedings of the Standing Committee for the year past.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware respectfully report to the Convention of the said Diocese an abstract of their proceedings, during the past year:

June 5th, 1861, the Standing Committee was continued, by a Resolution of the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware, for the year next ensuing; having been duly organized by the choice of the Rev. Charles Breck as Chairman, and William T. Read as Secretary, previously.

September 2d, 1861, the Standing Committee signed the usual testimonial, recommending the Rev. Samuel F. Hotchkin, as a fit person to be ordained priest.

November 11th, 1861, the Standing Committee consented to the consecration of the Rev. William Bacon Stevens, as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and signed the testimonial in such case required.

November 25th, 1861, the Standing Committee signed the proper testimonial, recommending Mr. Joseph N. Mulford, as worthy to be ordained Deacon.

June 3d, 1862, the Standing Committee signed a testimonial, that, from sufficient evidence laid before them, they believe Thomas McKee Brown is apt and meet to exercise the Ministry to the glory of God and the edifying of the Church.

June 4th, 1862, the Standing Committee signed the proper tes-

timonial, recommending the Rev. John Crocker White as worthy to be ordained to the sacred Order of the Priesthood.

(Attest,)

WILLIAM T. READ,

*Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Delaware.*  
June 4th, 1862.

Rev. Mr. Parker proposed the following amendment to the 2d article of the Constitution :

“ The Annual Convention of this Diocese shall be held on the first Wednesday of June in each year in Wilmington, and the balance of the Convention fund shall be applied in giving assistance to those Delegates who may apply for the same, in proportion to their expenses ; provided, &c.”

And, on his motion, it was laid on the table, subject to the call of the mover.

The Rev. Mr. Franklin presented and read the following report :

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the account of the Treasurer of the Relief Committee for the assistance of infirm and disabled Clergymen, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and find it correct. It appears from the said account that the expenditures of the committee for the past year have reached the amount of two hundred and sixty dollars, and that of this sum the Bishop has loaned eighty dollars. This amount, it is hoped, will be repaid to the Bishop by private persons without delay, and that the necessity for such advances by him may henceforth be prevented by systematic contributions from all the parishes of this Diocese.

The Special Committee further report that the sum of three hundred dollars will be needed by the Relief Committee to meet its necessary expenses for the year ending June 5th, 1863. These expenses must be met, and no practicable mode appears, other than an assessment on all the parishes of the Diocese. In a case so urgent it is hoped that every parish will promptly pay its quota, and avoid the mortification of again taxing the Bishop's private resources.

The Committee proposes the following action by the Convention :

*Resolved*, That the parishes of this Diocese be assessed the gross amount of three hundred dollars, and that it shall be the duty of their Rectors and Lay Delegates to this Convention to secure the payment of their respective quotas—half on or before the first day of October, and half on or before the first day of April next—and that the assessment be proportioned as follows, viz :

St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	\$50 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	50 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	50 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	40 00
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	20 00
St. Peter's. Smyrna,	20 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	15 00
Ascension, Claymont,	12 00
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	12 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	5 00
Christ Church, Milford,	5 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	5 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	2 00
St. James', Stanton,	2 00
Christ Church, Dover,	5 00
St. James', Newport,	2 00

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN,  
FRANKLIN FELL,  
GEORGE W. CUMMINS.

The report was accepted, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. James Brown presented the following report, which was accepted, and, on his motion, the committee was discharged :

The Committee, to whom was confided the duty of taking in charge and overseeing the property of Grace Church in Brandywine Hundred, beg leave to report, that the church for a year past has been statedly opened for service. It has been put in thorough repair and made comfortable for its appropriate use, and being now in charge of a Rector and Vestry, they would respectfully ask to be discharged.

JAMES BROWN,  
GEORGE LODGE.

The Rev. Mr. Goldsborough offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That this Convention since its last assembling together has heard with sincere regret of the death of the Rev. George Seymour Lewis, the faithful and beloved Pastor of St. Peter's Parish, Lewes, and takes occasion of the opportunity of meeting in the Sanctuary, at whose altar he served God and the people committed to his charge, to express their sense of the excellent Christian character, the zeal and the talent which adorned our brother in Christ.

*Resolved*, That this Convention has heard likewise with sincere regret, of the death since our last annual meeting of John Rodney, Esq., a zealous and devout member and vestryman of this Parish, and a Delegate to Convention, who served Christ and His Church with exemplary diligence and devotion.

*Resolved*, That as members of the Church we bow with submission to the will of God in these dispensations of His Providence, "blessing His holy name for all His servants departed this life in His faith and fear, and beseeching Him to give us grace so to follow their good example, that with them we may be partakers of His heavenly kingdom."

*Resolved*, That these resolutions be entered on the minutes, and a copy of them sent by the Secretary to the families of the deceased, and to the vestry of St. Peter's Parish.

The tellers reported, on the first ballot for members of the Standing Committee, the election of the Rev. Charles Breck, Wm. T. Read, and S. M. Curtis. There being two vacancies, the Bishop directed the House to prepare their ballots for two clerical members.

On motion of Mr. Nathaniel Wolfe, the Convention proceeded to the election of Delegates to the General Convention. The Bishop appointed as tellers, Rev. Mr. Rambo, Rev. Mr. Mulford, T. S. Merritt and Dr. Lyons.

On the second ballot, the two Orders concurred in electing Rev. Mr. Marshall as a member of the Standing Committee.

The third ballot for member of the Standing Committee resulted in the election of Rev. Mr. Brinckle.

The Bishop then declared that the following gentlemen had received the concurrent vote of both Orders as members of the Standing Committee :

Rev. Charles Breck, Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle, Rev. Wm. Marshall, Wm. T. Read, S. M. Curtis.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Breck, it was

*Resolved*, That the House proceed to ballot for two Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

Rev. Mr. Hotchkin and Mr. Franklin Fell were appointed tellers.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Franklin, the Convention dispensed with balloting for Trustees, and the Rev. Stevens Parker and the Rev. R. L. Goldsborough were elected, *viva voce*.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Franklin, the Secretary was directed to print the corporate name on the list, instead of "The Committee on the Bishop's Fund," and also at the head of Canon XIII.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Breck, the following gentlemen were elected "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware :"

Wm. T. Read, George W. Cummins, E. G. Bradford, Clement C. Reeves, Franklin Fell.

George W. Cummins, Esq. offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Rev. Charles Breck for his practical and evangelical discourse preached before this body.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Wardens

and Vestry of St. Peter's Church, for the use of their Church, and to the citizens of Lewes, for their kindness and hospitality to the members thereof; and that the Treasurer pay to the Sexton of St. Peter's Church the usual compensation allowed for his attendance during the session of the Convention.

On the first ballot for Delegates to the General Convention, the two Orders concurred in the election of the Rev. Charles Breck, Commodore S. F. Dupont, Wm. T. Read and S. M. Curtis.

On the second ballot for Delegates to the General Convention an error was discovered in the Clerical vote, and a new election was ordered.

The Convention, on motion of Rev. Dr. Clemson, then took a recess to attend the missionary meeting to be held at 8 o'clock this evening.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES, }  
June 4th, 1862, 8 o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention assembled this evening to attend the Missionary meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. White.

The 103d hymn was sung.

The Bishop then made an address, followed by the Rev. Mr. Rambo, Rev. Dr. Clemson, and Dr. Wm. Cummins.

After singing the 104th hymn, a collection was made for Diocesan Missions, and the congregation dismissed by the Bishop, with the benediction.

10 o'clock, P. M.

The Bishop resumed the chair and called the House to order.

The tellers reported that both Orders had concurred in electing the Rev. Mr. Rambo a Delegate to the General Convention, on the second ballot.

There still remaining three vacancies, on motion of Rev. Mr. Parker, the Convention proceeded to a third ballot.

The Secretary read the annual report of the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee, presented by the Bishop :

*James F. Wilson, Treasurer of Missionary and Education Committee, Diocese of Delaware.*

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1861.			
June 7,	To balance,	\$27	32
" "	" amount collected at Convention for Diocesan Missions,	11	88
Nov. 25,	" collection Immanuel Church, New Castle, Diocesan Missions,	20	94
Dec. 14,	" Bishop Lee's check, (from a friend towards salary of Rev. Mr. Keeling,)	25	00
1862.			
Feb. 15,	" collection St. Thomas', Newark, Diocesan Missions,	40	00
" "	" collection St. Andrew's, Wilmington, (paid Rev. Mr. Rambo, Nov. 20th, 1861, by Bishop Lee,)	33	00
" "	" collection St. Andrew's Sunday School (paid to Rev. Mr. Rambo, November 20th, 1861, by Bishop Lee,)	17	00
Mar. 20,	" cash from a friend, for Rev. E. J. Keeling,	25	00
May 28,	" collection Trinity Church, Wilmington,	21	73
" "	St. John's, Brandywine Village, Domestic Missions,	5	44
" "	" " " " Foreign "	1	00
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		\$228	31

*James F. Wilson, Treasurer of Missionary and Education - Committee, Diocese of Delaware.*

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1861.			
Aug. 8,	Amount paid Henry F. Rodney, Esq , funeral expenses of Rev. G. S. Lewis, by order of Bishop Lee,	\$20	00
Sep. 21,	Amount paid Rev. R. J. Keeling, by order of Bishop Lee,	25	00
Dec. 18,	" " " " " "	25	00
Nov 20,	" " by Bishop Lee to Rev. Mr. Rambo,	50	00
1862.			
Mar. 20,	" " Rev. R. J. Keeling, by order of Bishop Lee,	50	00
" 24,	" " Rev Wm. Marshall, by order of Com.,	30	00
June 2,	Check to Domestic Committee,	5	44
" "	" " Foreign " "	1	00
	Balance,	21	87
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		\$228	31

The tellers reported on the third ballot in the election for Deputies to the General Convention, and it was found there was no choice.

The House proceeded to a fourth ballot, which resulted without choice.

The Tellers reported no choice on the fifth ballot.

Mr. George W. Cummins moved to adjourn until 8 o'clock to-morrow morning, which was decided in the negative.

The House proceeded to a sixth ballot, in which there was no choice.

The Rev. Mr. Breck moved the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved, That the Standing Committee of the Diocese be and are hereby appointed the Committee called for by the Fifth Canon, to prepare " a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese to be presented to the General Convention," and that the Clergymen of the Diocese be requested to forward to the Committee the required information.*

On motion of Rev. Mr. Franklin, it was

*Resolved*, That there be printed five hundred copies of the Journal, and that the Treasurer be directed to pay for the same.

The Convention went into a seventh ballot; pending which, Mr. George W. Cummins moved to adjourn, which was lost.

Rev. Mr. Goldsborough moved that the next annual Convention be held in Trinity Church, Wilmington, on the first Wednesday in June, 1863, at 9 o'clock, A. M., which motion prevailed.

The tellers reported on the seventh ballot for Deputies to the General Convention, and there was no choice.

Mr. George W. Cummins moved to adjourn, which was negatived.

On motion of Mr. John B. Lewis, the Treasurer was directed to pay the bills for printing the Journals, when approved by the Secretary.

The eighth ballot for Delegates to the General Convention was reported, and there was no choice.

Mr. G. W. Cummins renewed the motion to adjourn, which was lost.

Mr. John B. Lewis moved that a committee of conference be appointed, which was decided in the negative.

The tellers reported on the ninth ballot, and it was found there was no choice.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Rambo, a committee of conference was appointed.

The Bishop appointed Rev. Mr. Breck, Rev. Mr. Hall, Messrs. George W. Cummins and James Brown, who reported to the Convention the names of the Rev. Mr. Brinckle, Rev. Dr. Clemson, and Mr. H. F. Rodney; and on the tenth ballot, the two Orders concurred in electing the Rev. Mr. Brinckle, Rev. Dr. Clemson and Mr. H. F. Rodney.

The President then declared that the following gentlemen had received the concurrent vote of both Orders, as Delegates to the General Convention :

Rev. Charles Breck,  
 " Jacob Rambo,  
 " Samuel C. Brinckle,  
 " John B. Clemson, D. D.,  
 Commodore S. F. Du Pont,  
 Wm. T. Read,  
 S. M. Curtis.  
 Henry F. Rodney.

The Convention then adjourned until 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES, }  
 Thursday, June 5th, 1862. }

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Clemson, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Goldsborough.

At the close of the service, the Bishop called the House to order.

The Secretary called the roll, and read the minutes of the previous day, which after being amended were approved.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Breck, the following resolution was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Bishop of the Diocese be requested to act in concert with " the Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Delaware," in procuring such a change of the corporate name, under which the said Trustees are incorporated as will be more conformable with the purposes and objects of the act of incorporation.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Breck, the resolution in re-

lation to the name of the committee on the Bishop's Fund, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. J. F. Burton, it was ordered that the original resolution be laid on the table.

The Rev. Mr. Parker called up his proposed amendment to the 2d Article of the Constitution, and after some discussion, on motion of Mr. George W. Cummins, the proposed amendment was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, the Secretary was directed to insert in the Journal, the contribution for Diocesan Missions from St. Ann's Parish, omitted last year, amounting to five dollars.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, it was

*Resolved*, That after reading the minutes, and the usual religious exercises, the Convention adjourn.

The Secretary then read the minutes, which were amended and approved, and after prayers and the Benediction the Convention adjourned.

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## DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.

The Right Rev. ALFRED LEE, D. D., Bishop and President of Convention. Residence, Wilmington.

### Standing Committee.

Rev. Charles Breck, *Chairman*, Wilmington,

Rev. Samuel C. Brinckle,

Rev. William Marshall,

Solomon M. Curtis,

Wm. T. Read, *Secretary*, New Castle.

**Deputies to General Convention.**

Rev. Charles Breck,	Commodore S. F. Du Pont,
" Jacob Rambo,	William T. Read,
" Samuel C. Brinckle,	Solomon M. Curtis,
" John B. Clemson, D. D.,	Henry F. Rodney.

**Missionary and Education Committee.**

Right Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., *Chairman*,  
 Rev. Benjamin Franklin,  
 " Samuel C. Brinckle,  
 James F. Wilson, M. D., *Treasurer*,  
 George D. Armstrong.

**Relief Committee for the Assistance of Infirm and Disabled Clergymen.**

Rev. Charles Breck,	Samuel Baily,
John B. Lewis, <i>Treasurer</i> .	

**Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.**

Rev. Stevens Parker,	Rev. Robert L. Goldsborough.
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**Trustees of the Bishop's Fund.**

William T. Read,	George W. Cummins,
Edward G. Bradford,	Clement C. Reeves,
Franklin Fell.	

**Committee on Endowment of Episcopate.**

Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D.,	Rev. John L. McKim,
" John C. White,	George W. Cummins,
Franklin Fell,	Dr. James Mitchell,
James Brown,	Charles Wright,
Henry F. Rodney.	

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*Treasurer of Convention*—JOHN B. LEWIS, Wilmington.  
*Secretary of Convention*—SOLOMON M. CURTIS, Newark.

Attest,

SOLOMON M. CURTIS, SECRETARY.

# APPENDIX.

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CLAYMONT, BRANDYWINE HUNDRED,  
NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

Rev. John B. Clemson, D. D., Rector.

Rev. Samuel F. Hotchkin, Assistant Minister.

This parish gives the usual indications of inward and outward prosperity. The services are well attended, the general interest grows, and projects for its welfare are encouragingly sustained. In the last year there have been erected commodious horse sheds, while the interior of the church has been newly carpeted and otherwise improved. While this particular Parish has been served, a regard has been had to the surrounding country. Services have been regularly maintained by Mr. Hotchkin at Grace Church, and at a point mid-way between that and Wilmington, where promising efforts are now making to erect an edifice under the title of Calvary Church. The Rev. Mr. Hotchkin has been most assiduous in Missionary and Pastoral work in the Hundred, and finds ample encouragement to persevere. The Sunday School maintains its interest, and has nine teachers and eighty-five scholars.

Baptisms—Infants, -	-	-	-	17
“ Adults, -	-	-	-	3
“ Whole number, -	-	-	-	20
Confirmations, (three of the number being from Grace Church,)				9
Communicants—Added, -	-	-	-	9
“ Removed, -	-	-	-	3
“ Present number, -	-	-	-	45
Burials, -	-	-	-	2

Sundays of every month. The Holy Communion is celebrated once in three months.

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**CALVARY CHURCH, BRANDYWINE HUNDRED.**

(Worshipping in Newark Union Meeting House.)

Rev. S. F. Hotchkin, Missionary.

*Rt. Rev. Sir:*

Since my last report, I have assisted Dr. Clemson at the Church of the Ascension, Claymont, and officiated at Grace and Calvary Churches. The latter parish promises well for the future. We hope to build a new church in the coming year. I cannot organize a Sunday School in the building which I now occupy.

I am not able to state what the receipts of the parish have been for the past year, with the exception of \$5 for parochial purposes. Next year I hope to be able to give a more definite account of the parish. Between six and seven hundred dollars have been subscribed for the new church. A part of this sum came from Trinity Church, Wilmington; Immanuel Church, New Castle; St. John's Church, Brandywine Village, and St. Thomas' Church, Newark.

A lady in the vicinity has very kindly given us a site for the building and stone for the walls.

Mr. Colburn, an architect of Cambridge, Mass., has presented us with a beautiful plan for the new edifice.

In connection with the three parishes which I serve, I have visited about three hundred families scattered over roads forty or fifty miles in extent.

Having settled a parish limit with the clergyman at Brandywine Village, I have within the last two years visited every house within my limits, and with the exception of a few absences and removals have seen every family. I have been very well received and tracts have been kindly and gladly accepted.

The ancestors of the people in this Hundred were mostly churchmen, and their descendants have a kind feeling for our common mother. I hope a few years work in this vicinity will show a good result. Many families scarcely ever see a clergyman in their

houses, and the effect of personal visiting from house to house can hardly be overestimated in its effects upon pastor and people.

God grant that He who was sent to the lost sheep of the house of Israel may draw all the wanderers back into His fold.

We cannot now administer the Holy Communion or Baptism with that decency and propriety which those Sacraments demand, but upon the opening of our new church we will endeavor to do our duty more fully in these respects.

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#### REPORT OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BRANDYWINE.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 ; Infants, 14 ; Total,	-	-	15
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	44
“ Since removed,	-	-	5
“ Added,	-	-	10
“ Present number,	-	-	49
Marriages,	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	7
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 3, Female 8 ; Total,			11
“ Scholars, Male 45, Female 71 ; Total,	-		116
Public Services—on Sundays, 107 ; other days, 196 ; Total,			303

#### OFFERINGS.

For Domestic Missions,	-	-	\$ 5 44
“ Foreign Missions,	-	-	1 00
“ Diocesan Missions, (to Calvary Church,)	-	-	5 83
“ Sunday School,	-	-	35 00
“ Aged and Infirm Clergy,	-	-	20 00
“ General Theological Seminary,	-	-	13 45
“ the Poor,	-	-	128 22
“ Parochial purposes,	-	-	1024 36
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			\$1233 30

STEVENS PARKER, Rector.

**REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT MINISTER OF ST. JOHN'S,  
BRANDYWINE.**

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:*

Having accepted a call to the Rectorship of the Church of the Ascension, Westminster, Md., April 19, 1862, I presented my resignation as Assistant Minister of St. John's Church, Brandywine. My report covers only the period from June 5, 1861, to this time.

During this period I have attended one funeral, baptized two infants, administered alone, or assisted at, the Lord's Supper nine times; preached sixty-three times; read alone or assisted at the reading of eighty-seven services.

**JAMES CHRYSTAL.**

**ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.**

<b>Rt. Rev. A. Lee, Rector.</b>		<b>Rev. Joseph N. Mulford, Assistant.</b>		
Baptisms—	Infant, 20; Adult, 7; Total,	-	-	27
Confirmed,	-	-	-	17
Communicants—	Deceased,	-	-	3
“	Removed,	-	-	13
“	Withdrawn,	-	-	4
“	Suspended,	-	-	1
“	Added,	-	-	19
“	Present number,	-	-	218
Marriages,	-	-	-	5
Funerals,	-	-	-	20

**SUNDAY SCHOOLS.**

No. 1—Teachers, Male 18, Female 29. Total,		-	42
Scholars, “ 160, “ 230. “	-	-	390
No. 2—Calvary Chapel,			
Teachers, Male 10, Female 19. Total,		-	29
Scholars, “ 92, “ 123. “	-	-	215
No. 3—Robert Smith, (colored,)			
Teachers, Male 2, Female 18. Total, -		-	20
Scholars, “ 113, “ 158. “	-	-	271

Total—Schools, 3—Teachers, Male 25, Female 66.	Total,	91
Scholars, “ 365, “ 511.	“	876

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Congregational offerings,		
Diocesan, \$35 53; Domestic, \$25; Foreign, \$61; Total, \$121 53		
Sunday Schools—offerings,		
For Cape Palmas (Africa) Orphan Asylum,	75 00	
Calvary Chapel, Wilmington, -	- 17 00	
Diocesan and other objects, -	45 16	
	137 16	
Total for Missions, -	-	\$258 69
Sunday School—Prayer books for volunteers,		24 00
Charitable—Disabled Clergy Relief Fund, -	50 00	
“ Dorcas Society, -	117 58	
“ Communion Alms, -	71 44	
“ *Contributed for relief of sick and wounded soldiers, in money and clothing, bedding, hospital stores, &c., 15 boxes, estimated amount, -	600 00	
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For Sunday School, -	34 60	
Evangelical Knowledge Society, -	27 00	
	61 60	
Episcopate, \$110; Convention, \$15; Total,		125 00
(Current expenses not included,)		\$1308 31

Services on Sundays, 144; week days, about 70.

The Rev. N. C. Pridham resigned his office as Assistant Minister of this Parish, October 1st, 1861, and was succeeded by the Rev. Joseph Newton Mulford, who entered upon duty December 1st, following. Services have been regularly held in Calvary Chapel on Sunday afternoon, and the School there on Sunday mornings has been well sustained. The special and urgent appeals made on be-

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\*Generous donations for this object were received from persons not connected with St. Andrew's Church.

half of those who have been wounded or overtaken with disease in the service of their country have been nobly responded to, and our charities have flowed mainly in that direction, while there has been at the same time an unusual demand for the assistance of straitened and destitute families in our own community.

ALFRED LEE, Rector.

TRINITY PARISH, WILMINGTON.

Baptisms—Adults 2, Infants 66, -	-	-	-	68
Confirmed, -	-	-	-	18
Communicants—Died, -	-	-	-	9
“ Removed, -	-	-	-	19
“ Added, -	-	-	-	17
“ Present number, -	-	-	-	176
Marriages, -	-	-	-	13
Burials, -	-	-	-	41
Sunday Schools, -	-	-	-	1
Teachers, -	-	-	-	26
Scholars, -	-	-	-	350
Public Services on Sundays, -	-	-	-	104
“ other days, -	-	-	-	75
Total Services, -	-	-	-	179

The Treasurer's Report exhibits the following account :

Communion Alms, -	-	-	-	\$121 55
Parish Library, -	-	-	-	55 81
Current expenses, -	-	-	-	1510 57
Incidental, -	-	-	-	444 62
Episcopate, -	-	-	-	97 00
Convention Fund, -	-	-	-	15 00
Disabled Clergymen, -	-	-	-	50 00
Diocesan Missions, -	-	-	-	21 73
Domestic “ -	-	-	-	63 00
Church extension, -	-	-	-	20 00
Sunday School, -	-	-	-	57 50
Ladies Benevolent Association, -	-	-	-	100 00

Sunday School Offerings—	Diocesan,	-	-	31 37
“	“	Faribault,	-	15 00
“	“	Educational,	-	15 00
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Total,	-	-	-	\$2,618 15

CHARLES BRECK, Rector.

#### REPORT OF CHRIST CHURCH, CHRISTIANA HUNDRED.

Baptisms—	Infant, 16 ; Adult, 2 ; Total,	-	-	18
Confirmed,	-	-	-	4
Communicants—	Died,	-	-	1
“	Removed,	-	-	10
“	Dropped from the list,	-	-	6
“	Added,	-	-	3
“	Present number,	-	-	91
Marriages,	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	15
Sunday School—	Teachers, Male 2, Female 10. Total,			12
“	Scholars, Male 77, Female 76. Total,			153

#### CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—	Domestic,	-	-	-	\$ 97 87
“	Foreign,	-	-	-	121 00
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Total for Missions,	-	-	-	-	\$218 89
Communion Alms,	-	-	-	-	14 28
Episcopate,	-	-	-	-	52 50
Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	15 00
Clergy Relief Fund,	-	-	-	-	13 30
Sunday School,	-	-	-	-	20 35
Repairs of Church,	-	-	-	-	175 34
To complete payment of Church debt,	-	-	-	-	3060 00
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Total,	-	-	-	-	\$3569 64
Public Services—	Sundays, 103 ; other days, 15. Total,				118

S. C. BRINCKLE, Rector.

## IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE.

Baptisms—Infants 14, Adults 3, -	-	-	17
Confirmed, -	-	-	12
Communicants—Added, -	-	-	11
“ Removed, -	-	-	5
“ Deceased, -	-	-	1
“ Present number, -	-	-	111
Burials, -	-	-	10

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Alms, -	-	-	\$147 69
Domestic Missions, -	-	-	60 45
Foreign “ -	-	-	24 85
Diocesan and Church building, -	-	-	45 97
Episcopate, -	-	-	50 00
Disabled Clergy, -	-	-	52 35
Parish Library, -	-	-	23 46
Bishop White P. B. Society, -	-	-	15 00
Nashotah, -	-	-	45 00
Faribault, -	-	-	20 64
Miscellaneous, -	-	-	161 50
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			\$646 81

Sunday Schools—Infant School 1, Teachers 2, Scholars 50.

“ Children’s School 1, Teachers 10, Scholars 58.

B. FRANKLIN, Rector.

## ST. JAMES’ CHURCH, NEAR STANTON.

Baptisms—Infants, -	-	-	15
Confirmations, -	-	-	2
Communicants—Number last reported, -	-	-	23
“ Added, -	-	-	5
“ Died, -	-	-	2
“ Removed, -	-	-	4
“ Present number, -	-	-	22
Marriages, -	-	-	1
Funerals, -	-	-	11

Sunday School—Teachers, -	-	-	-	5
“ Scholars, -	-	-	-	43

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions, -	-	-	-	\$62 43
Foreign “ -	-	-	-	6 00
Domestic “ -	-	-	-	5 00
Sunday School offering to Faribault, -	-	-	-	10 00
Communion offerings, -	-	-	-	30 62
Infirm Clergy, -	-	-	-	3 00
Convention and Episcopal Fund, -	-	-	-	16 50

Total, - - - - \$133 55

Public Services—Sundays 52, other days 13. Total, 65

A Mission School in connection with St James' was opened in in the Village of Stanton, on the 5th Sunday after Easter. Number of scholars in attendance, 50. We expect that this number will be largely increased, and hope that much good may result from this effort to advance the cause of Christ's Church.

WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEWPORT.

Baptisms—Adult 1, Infant 4. Total, -	-	-	5
Confirmations, -	-	-	4
Communicants—Number last reported, -	-	-	7
“ Added, -	-	-	5
“ Removed, -	-	-	2
“ Present number, -	-	-	10

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Diocesan Missions, -	-	-	\$5 00
Sunday School offering to Miss Conover's School, -	-	-	
Shanghai, -	-	-	9 25
Sunday School offering, Faribault, -	-	-	7 00
Infirm Clergy, -	-	-	1 00
Communion offerings, -	-	-	11 62
Convention and Episcopal Funds, -	-	-	7 00

Other purposes,	-	-	-	30 22
Total,	-	-	-	<u>\$71 09</u>
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	6
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	64
Services—Sundays, 52 ; other days, 10. Total,				62

WILLIAM MARSHALL, Rector.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEWARK.

Communicants per last report,	-	-	-	34
Confirmed,	-	-	-	6
Communicants—Added,	-	-	-	2
“ Removed,	-	-	-	5
“ Dropped,	-	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	-	35
Baptisms—Adult, 1 ; Infant, 7. Total,	-	-	-	8
Marriages,	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	3
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 3, Female 6. Total,				9
“ Scholars, “ 24, “ 23. “			-	47
“ Colored, Scholars, Male 10, Female 9. Total,				19

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Foreign, (Sunday School \$20 78,)	-	\$50 78
“ Domestic, \$88 85 ; Diocesan, \$40,		128 85
Offertory, \$34 84 ; E. K. S. publications, \$12 07,	-	46 91
Episcopal Fund, \$17 ; Convention Fund, \$8,	-	25 00
Other purposes,	-	62 00
		<u>\$313 54</u>

There is nothing of special interest to report from this parish. We are looking forward to the annual visit of our Diocesan a few weeks hence, when we trust to present a few candidates for Confirmation. Our Missionary contributions compare favorably with last year, but we regret that this noble Christian enterprize is not more *generally* appreciated by the church members, leaving it dependent upon the Christian liberality of a few.

R. J. KEELING.

## CHRIST CHURCH, DELAWARE CITY.

Communicants per last report,	-	-	15
Dropped,	-	-	2
Confirmed,	-	-	1
Present number,	-	-	14
Baptisms—Infant 5. Total,	-	-	5
Marriage,	-	-	1
Funeral,	-	-	1
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 2, Female 4. Total,			6
“ Scholars, “ 16, “ 30. “		-	46

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Sunday School for Foreign Missions,	-	-	\$ 4 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	8 00
Convention Fund,	-	-	5 00
Other purposes,	-	-	230 00
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			\$247 00

I think increased interest is manifested in the service at this parish, and indulge the hope, judging from the large and regular attendance, that our position is daily becoming more acceptably established here. An occasional donation from our sister parishes, in the way of Sunday School books, &c., would be most welcome.

R. J. KEELING, Rector.

## ST. ANN'S PARISH, APPOQUINIMINK.

Baptisms—Adults 9, Infants 53, -	-	-	62
Confirmed,	-	-	10
Communicants, last reported,	-	-	54
“ Since Removed,	-	-	9
“ Dropped from list,	-	-	2
“ Added,	-	-	13
“ Present number,	-	-	56
Marriages,	-	-	6
Funerals,	-	-	6
Sunday School—Teachers, -	-	-	7
“ Scholars,	-	-	48

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Missions—Diocesan,	-	-	-	\$ 10 00
“ Domestic,	-	-	-	15 00
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	27 00
Convention “	-	-	-	10 00
Clergy Relief,	-	-	-	20 00
Given at Convention,	-	-	-	1 00
Western Missions,	-	-	-	16 00
Parochial purposes, including Church repairs,				650 00
Alms to Poor,	-	-	-	9 00
Public Services—on Sundays,	-	-	-	60
“ “ Holy days and Fasting days,”	-	-	-	94

The Ladies Benevolent Society continues to do its unostentatious work of charity to all, especially unto “them that are of the household of Faith.”

The Annual Convocation on St. Bartholomew’s Day, was well attended as usual, and followed by the dew of God’s blessing.

ROBERT LLOYD GOLDSBOROUGH, Rector.

## ST. PETER’S CHURCH, SMYRNA.

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants, in last report,	-	-	-	-	35
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	38
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	5
Sunday School—Teachers, Male 5, Female 14,	-	-	-	-	19
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	130

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Communion Alms, on five several occasions only, the parish being vacant,	-	-	-	\$ 8 91
For Sunday School,	-	-	-	8 50
“ Bible Society, Kent County,	-	-	-	4 00
“ Missions—Foreign, half Easter Sunday School offering,	-	-	-	25 00
“ Missions—Foreign, by three members,				6 00
				<hr/> 31 00
“ “ Diocesan, half Easter Sunday School offering,				25 00

For Bishop White Prayer Book Society, by two members,	5 00
“ Parochial purposes, one member for repairs to Cemetery fence, . - - - -	5 00
“ Episcopal Fund, - - - -	17 50
“ Convention Fund, - - - -	8 00
“ Current expenses, - - - -	62 19
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	\$175 10

The Parish remained vacant from the period of Rev. Mr. Grammer's resignation, (Jan. 28th, 1861,) until April 1st, 1862, when the present incumbent took charge. The church was never closed however during the whole interim. When supplies could not be obtained, the services of an indefatigable and earnest layman were cheerfully tendered, not only at stated Sunday occasions of worship, but also at weekly lectures and special extraordinary periods appointed. The prosperity of the Sunday School is owing in a great measure to his faithful labors. The present aspect of the parish is very encouraging. With a beautiful and commodious house of worship, a congregation warmly attached to the church of their affections, planted in an enterprising and prosperous community, under God spiritual increase may certainly be expected. I officiate statedly twice on Sunday, besides visiting the two sessions of the Sunday School. In addition, I have a lecture on Thursday evening, a meeting for communicants once a month, and anticipate the formation of a congregational Bible class early in the fall. I acknowledge with gratitude many deeds of kindness manifested on the part of the congregation towards myself and family since my connection with the parish.

HENRY S. GETZ, Rector.

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CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER.

Confirmed,	- - - -	8
Communicants—Number in last report,	- - - -	5
“ Added,	- - - -	3
“ Present number,	- - - -	8
Funerals,	- - - -	2

## CONTRIBUTIONS.

Church Miss. Society,	-	-	-	\$3 25
Diocesan Missions,	-	-	-	2 00
Foreign “	-	-	-	2 75
Episcopal Fund,	-	-	-	2 50
Convention “	-	-	-	5 00
Total,	-	-	-	<u>\$15 50</u>

Public Services twice every Sunday.

JOHN CROCKAR WHITE, Minister in charge.

## CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD.

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	1
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants—Removed,	-	-	-	-	2
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	15
Public Services,	-	-	-	-	22
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	3
Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	6
“ Scholars,	-	-	-	-	36
Collections—Convention Fund,	-	-	-	\$5 00	
“ Episcopal “	-	-	-	8 00	
“ Disabled Clergy,	-	-	-	6 00	
				<u>—</u>	\$19 00

I have no material change to report in the condition of this church for the year past. The usual number of services has been held, the congregation being generally large, and rather increasing. The Sunday School, which had been discontinued for a while, was re-opened some months ago with encouraging numbers both of teachers and scholars; and is in fact now larger than it has ever been.

My connection with this church is now terminated, I may add, with mutual reluctance on the part of the Minister and congregation. But my increasing engagements near home, and the distance of my residence from Milford, prevented that attention to the parish,

s hoped the settlement of a resident Minister will effectual-

JOHN L. McKIM.

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GEORGETOWN.

—Infants, - - - -	3
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ants—Removed, - - - -	1
Added, - - - -	2
Present number, - - - -	16
- - - -	11
- - - -	7
vices, - - - -	26
chool—Teachers, - - - -	9
Scholars, - - - -	45
—Convention Fund, - - - -	\$5 00
Episcopal Fund, - - - -	8 50
Disabled Clergy, - - - -	6 00
Missions, - - - -	16 90
	<hr/> \$36 40

parish I am unable to report any visible progress during convention year. The services and attendance have unusual, and the statistics generally are about the same as at

The excited state of the public mind during the year had in some degree its natural effect upon the congregation. I am happy to say, that we have escaped much of the dis-  
d bitterness incident to a time of war.

JOHN L. McKIM, Rector.

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH, LEWES.

ants—Deceased, - - - -	2
Removed, - - - -	8
Withdrawn, - - - -	4
Present number, - - - -	30
- - - -	2
hools, - - - -	2

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Sunday School Teachers, Male 3, Female 6. Total,	-	9
“ Scholars, - - -	-	50
“ “ (colored, - - -	-	30

Contributions, none but for incidental expenses. Removals, eight families. Public Services have been regularly held by Rev. David MacIlvaine, free of compensation; having lost our very excellent Rector, Rev. G. S. Lewis, by death on 1st of August last.

H. F. RODNEY, Warden.

MILLSBORO, Del., May 26, 1862.

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :*

I entered upon my duties as Missionary to the four churches under my care, Sept. 8th, 1861. The services have been regularly held, and the congregations generally encouraging. There has been a growing interest apparent in the services at both St. George's and the Chapel of the Comforter. The cottage lectures have been especially well attended, of which there have been two every fortnight, on consecutive evenings. I trust there is the beginning of better things to come.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, INDIAN RIVER, AND CHAPEL OF THE COMFORTER, LONG NECK.

Baptisms—Infants, - - - -	14
Confirmed, - - - -	3
Communicants—Deceased, - - - -	1
“ Added, - - - -	4
“ Present number, - - - -	20
Marriages, - - - -	3
Funerals, - - - -	2
Sunday Schools, - - - -	2
Teachers, - - - -	15
Sunday Scholars, - - - -	80
Public Services—on Sundays, - - - -	44
“ on other days, - - - -	24

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Current expenses, - - - -	\$65 54
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Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	8 80
Church Miss. Society,	-	-	-	-	5 64
Episcopate and Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	8 00
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					\$82 98

J. RAMBO, Missionary.

**ST. MARK'S, MILLSBORO.**

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	9
Communicants—Dismissed,	-	-	-	-	1
“ Suspended,	-	-	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	5
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	1
Burials,	-	-	-	-	1
Sunday Schools,	-	-	-	-	1
Teachers,	-	-	-	-	6
Scholars,	-	-	-	-	40
Public Services on Sundays,	-	-	-	-	17
“ other days,	-	-	-	-	12

**CONTRIBUTIONS.**

Current expenses,	-	-	-	-	\$38 24
Foreign Missions,	-	-	-	-	1 74
Church Miss. Society,	-	-	-	-	1 74
Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	5 00
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Total,	-	-	-	-	\$46 72

J. RAMBO, Missionary.

**GRACE CHURCH, BALTIMORE MILLS.**

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	3
Communicants—Present number,	-	-	-	-	5
Burials,	-	-	-	-	3
Sunday Schools,	-	-	-	-	1
Teachers,	-	-	-	-	6
Scholars,	-	-	-	-	35

Public Services—on Sundays,	-	-	-	17
“ at Dagsboro’,	-	-	-	10
Contributions—Current expenses,	-	-	\$1 28	
“ Church Miss. Society,	-	-	1 23	
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	1 25	
			<hr/>	\$3 76

J. RAMBO, Missionary.

*To the Rt. Rev. Bishop Lee:*

ST. LUKE’S CHURCH, SEAFORD.

I commenced my labors in this parish the early part of December last.

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	-	-	3
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	3
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	-	-	28
“ Removed,	-	-	-	-	1
“ Added,	-	-	-	-	4
“ Present number,	-	-	-	-	31
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	1
Sunday School—Scholars, Boys 34, Girls 32. Total,	-	-	-	-	66
“ Teachers,	-	-	-	-	9
Contributions—Domestic Missions,	-	-	\$2 25		
“ Convention Fund,	-	-	6 00		
“ Episcopal Fund,	-	-	7 50		
“ Other purposes,	-	-	12 29		
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Public Services—on Sundays, 14; on other days, 10.

The parish is out of debt. Our services are well attended. Prospects rather hopeful and cheering. Our Sunday School is rapidly improving. The teachers are earnest and faithful workers, and we expect much good from their labors. May the quickening influences of the Holy Ghost accompany all our efforts to advance the kingdom of our adorable Redeemer, and to build up the church of the living God.

GEORGE HALL.

**CHRIST CHURCH, BROAD CREEK, INCLUDING ST. PHILIP'S  
CHAPEL, LAUREL.**

This report embraces only the past six months.

Baptisms—Adult, 1 ; Infant, 2 ; Total,	-	-	3
Confirmed,	-	-	3
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	14
“ Died,	-	-	1
“ Added by removal,	-	-	1
“ “ “ profession,	-	-	3
“ Present number,	-	-	17
Funerals,	-	-	1
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	\$2 00	
“ Communion Alms,	-	1 92	
“ Domestic Missions,	-	2 00	
“ Other purposes,	-	43 32	
Total,	-	—	\$48 24

Public Services—on Sundays, 13 ; on other days, 10. Total, 23

But few services can be held at the old church, Broad Creek ; and these only during summer. At the present time, this parish has no Sunday School. I am happy to say that an effort will be made shortly to establish one. Our great need is a Superintendant. The Chapel in Laurel is well attended. Many, who are not of us, take great pleasure in our services. We think the church is gradually finding its way in the hearts and affections of the people.

**GEORGE HALL.**

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**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LITTLE HILL.**

Baptisms—Infant,	-	-	2
Communicants—Number in last report,	-	-	32
Marriages,	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	1
Public Services—On Sundays,	-	-	11
Contributions—Communion Alms,	-	\$0 87	

Collections for Missions and other purposes have not been taken up as yet. I hope next year we shall do better.

**GEORGE HALL.**

## ST. MARK'S, LITTLE CREEK HUNDRED.

Communicants—Number last reported,	-	-	16
“ Died,	-	-	1
“ Present number,	-	-	15
Funerals,	-	-	2
Contributions—Convention Fund,	-	\$1 20	
“ Domestic Missions,	-	1 06	
“ Communion Alms,	-	1 42	
Total,	-	—————	\$3 68
Public Services,	-	-	9

Attendance very good. There are several thinking and talking about confirmation. May divine grace complete the good work already begun.

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*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:*

Since the lamented death of the Rev. G. S. Lewis, I have served the congregation of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, but I have not always been at leisure to afford them sufficient attention. The Rev. J. Rambo, has been so obliging as to give us his assistance at the Communion once. I have sometimes officiated for him. Aware that nothing is gained by pressing men into the Communion of the Church without a change of heart, I have directed their attention to the duty of being, rather than of seeming to be, Christians.

With great respect and regard, yours, &c.,

DAVID MAC ILVAINE.

The following is the amount of Assessment on each Parish in the Diocese for the support of the Episcopate, which is to be remitted annually to the Treasurer of the Convention, in accordance with Canon XV.

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	\$ 22 50
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	2 50
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	-	24 50
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	109 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	88 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	45 50
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	55 50
St. James', Stanton,	-	11 00
St. James', Newport,	-	5 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	17 50
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	7 00
St. Ann's, Middletown,	-	28 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	19 00
Christ Church, Dover,	-	4 00
Christ Church, Milford,	-	7 50
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	8 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	15 00
St. George's, Indian River, and Chapel, Long Neck,	-	10 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro',	-	2 50
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	-	2 50
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	15 50
Christ Ch., Broad Creek, and St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel,	-	8 50
St. John's, Little Hill,	-	16 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,	-	7 50

The following table exhibits the sum which each Parish is required to contribute to the Convention Fund, in accordance with Canon X.

Ascension Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	\$10 00
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,	-	5 00
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	-	10 00
Calvary, Brandywine Hundred,	-	5 00
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	-	15 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	-	15 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	-	12 00
Immanuel, New Castle,	-	15 00
St. James', Stanton,	-	6 00
St. James', Newport,	-	5 00
St. Thomas', Newark,	-	8 00
Christ Church, Delaware City,	-	5 00
St. Ann's, Middletown,	-	10 00
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	-	8 00
Christ Church, Dover,	-	5 00
Christ Church, Milford,	-	5 00
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	-	5 00
St. Peter's, Lewes,	-	6 00
St. George's, Indian Riv. & Chapel of Comforter, Long Neck,	-	5 00
St. Mark's, Millsboro',	-	5 00
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	-	5 00
St. Luke's, Seaford,	-	8 00
Christ Ch., Broad Creek, and St. Philip's Chapel, Laurel,	-	5 00
St. John's, Little Hill,	-	8 00
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,	-	5 00

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NAMES OF PARISHES	BAPTISMS.		Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Lost.	Added.	Present No.	Marriages.	Funerals.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	
	Infant.	Adult.										Teachers.	Scholars.
Ascension Church, Claymont,	17	8	20	6		8		9	45		2	9	85
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,		8	8	8					6			7	46
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	14	1	15			6		10	49	1	7	11	116
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	20	7	27	17	3	13		19	218	5	20	91	876
Trinity Church,	66	2	68	18	9	19		17	176	13	41	26	850
Christ Church, Christians Hundred,	16	2	18	4	1	10		8	91	2	15	12	153
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	14	3	17	12	1	5		11	111		10	12	108
St. James', Stanton,	15		15	2	2	4		5	22	1	11	5	98
St. James', Newport,	4	1	5	4		2		5	10			6	64
St. Thomas', Newark,	7	1	8	6		5		8	35	1	8	9	68
Christ Church, Delaware City,	5		5	1		2		1	14	1	1	6	48
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	68	9	62	10		9		13	56	6	6	7	48
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	1		1	8				3	38		5	19	130
Christ Church, Dover,	1		1	2		2		3	8	3	2	6	36
Christ Church, Milford,				1		1		2	15	11	7	9	45
St. Paul's, Georgetown,		8	8	1		8		4	30	8	2	9	80
St. Peter's, Lewes,	14		14	3	2	1		4	20	8	2	15	80
St. George's, Ind Riv., & Chapel of the Comforter,	9		9		1	1		1	5	1	1	6	40
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	3		3	8					5		3	6	35
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	3		3	8		1		4	31	2	1	9	66
St. Luke's, Seaford,	2	1	3	3	1			4	17		1		
Christ Ch., Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel,	2		2	8					82	2	1		
St. John's, Little Hill,					1				15				
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,													
Total.	260	33	302	98	21	54	22	123	1084	52	148	280	2563

# ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS, 1862.—CONTRIBUTIONS.

## MISSIONS

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Diocesan.	Domestic.	Foreign.	Total.	Clergy Relief.	Charitable.	Episcopate.	Convention.	Parochial Purposes.	Other Objects.	Total
Assension Church, Claymont,	\$ 6 09	\$ 78 00	\$ 18 00	\$ 97 09	\$ 8 51	\$ 56 97	\$ 19 60	\$ 8 00	\$ 470 46	\$ 7 06	\$ 660 58*
Grace Ch., Brandywine Hd.,	5 88	5 44	1 00	12 27	20 00	128 22	2 50	5 00	28 49		30 99
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	97 69	25 00	186 00	258 69	50 00	789 02	110 00	15 00	1,069 86	13 45	1,288 30†
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	73 10	93 00		166 10	50 00	221 55	97 00	15 00	34 60	51 00	1,308 31*
Trinity.		97 87	121 00	218 87	18 30	14 28	52 50	15 00	2,068 50		2,618 15†
Christ Church, Christians Hd.,	45 97	126 09	24 86	196 91	62 35	147 69	50 00	15 00	3,255 69	176 50	3,569 64*
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	62 43	15 00	6 00	83 43	3 00	30 62	11 50	6 00	23 46		661 91*
St. James', Stanton,	5 00	7 00	9 25	21 25	1 00	11 62	2 00	5 00		80 22	184 55*
St. James', Newport,	40 00	88 85	50 78	179 63		34 84	17 00	8 00		74 07	71 09*
St. Thomas', Newark,			4 00	4 00			8 00	5 00	230 00		313 54*
Christ Church, Delaware City,	10 00	81 00		41 00	21 00	9 00	27 00	10 00	650 00		247 00†
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	25 00		31 00	56 00		8 91	17 50	8 00	75 69	9 00	758 00†
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	2 00	3 25	2 75	8 00	6 00		2 50	5 00			175 10*
Christ Church, Dover,					6 00		8 00	5 00			15 50*
Christ Church, Milford,					6 00		8 50	5 00			19 00*
St. Paul's, Georgetown,				16 90							36 40*
St. Peter's, Lewes,		5 64	8 80	9 44			3 00	5 00	65 64		82 98†
St. George's, Ind Riv., & Chapel,		1 74	1 74	3 48				5 00	88 24		46 72†
St. Mark's, Millsboro,		1 28		1 28			7 50	1 25	1 28		3 76†
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,		2 25		2 25				6 00	12 29		28 04*
St. Luke's, Seaford,		2 00		2 00		1 92		2 00	43 32		48 24*
Christ Church, Broad Creek,						87					87*
St. John's, Little Hill,		1 06		1 06		1 42		1 20			3 68*
St. Mark's, Little Creek,											
Total,	\$378 11	\$584 42	\$405 17	\$1,879 60	\$231 16	\$1,455 98	\$444 00	\$150 45	\$8,052 01	\$361 30	\$12,078 35

\* Current expenses not included.

† Current expenses included.

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	Infant.	Adult.	Total.	Confirmed.	Died.	Removed.	Lost.	Added.	Present No.	Marriages.	Punerals.	Teachers.	Scholars.
Ascension Church, Claymont,	17	8	20	6		8		9	45		2	9	85
Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,		8	3	8					5			7	48
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	14	1	15			6		10	49	1	7	11	116
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	20	7	27	17	3	18	5	19	218	5	20	91	876
Trinity Church, "	66	2	68	18	9	19		17	176	13	41	26	350
Christ Church, Christiansa Hundred,	16	2	18	4	1	10	6	8	91	2	15	12	153
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	14	3	17	12	1	6		11	111		10	12	108
St. James', Stanton,	16		16	2	2	4		5	22	1	11	5	93
St. James', Newport,	4	1	5	4		2		5	10			6	64
St. Thomas', Newark,	7	1	8	6		5	2	8	85	1	8	9	66
Christ Church, Delaware City,	5		5	1		2	2	1	14	1	1	8	48
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	58	9	62	10		9	2	13	56	6	6	7	48
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	1		1	8				3	88		5	19	130
Christ Church, Dover,				2		2		3	8	8	2	6	38
Christ Church, Milford,	1		1	2		1		2	16	11	7	9	45
St. Paul's, Georgetown,	3		3	1		8	4	2	80		2	9	90
St. Peter's, Lewes,				8	2	1		4	20	8	2	15	80
St. George's, Ind. Riv., & Chapel of the Comforter,	14		14	8	1	1		1	5	1	1	6	40
St. Mark's, Millsboro,	9		9						6			8	35
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,	3		3	8		1		4	81	2	1	9	66
St. Luke's, Seaford,	8		8	8	1			4	17	2	1		
Christ Ch., Broad Creek, and St. Philip's, Laurel,	2	1	3	8				4	32				
St. John's, Little Hill,	2		2		1				15		2		
St. Mark's, Little Creek Hundred,													
Total,	269	48	302	98	21	68	22	122	1064	52	143	280	2608

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## MISSIONS

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Grace Ch., Brandywine Hd.,											80 98
St. John's, Brandywine Village,	5 83	5 44	1 00	12 27	20 00	128 22	2 50	5 00	28 49	13 45	1,288 80†
St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	97 69	25 00	136 00	258 69	50 00	789 02			1,059 86	51 00	1,808 81*
Trinity,	78 10	98 00		166 10	50 00	221 55	110 00	15 00	34 60		2,618 15†
Christ Church, Christians Hd.,	45 97	97 87	121 00	218 87	13 80	14 28	52 50	15 00	2,068 50		8,569 64*
Immanuel Church, New Castle,	62 43	126 09	24 85	198 91	52 85	147 69	50 00	15 00	8,255 68	176 50	661 91*
St. James', Stanton,	5 00	15 00	6 00	88 48	8 60	80 62	11 50	6 00	28 45		184 55*
St. James', Newport,	40 00	7 00	9 25	21 25	1 00	11 62	2 00	5 00		30 22	71 09*
St. Thomas', Newark,		88 85	50 78	179 63		84 84	17 00	8 00		74 07	818 54*
Christ Church, Delaware City,	10 00	81 00	4 00	4 00	21 00	9 00	8 00	5 00	280 00		247 00†
St. Ann's, Appoquinimink,	25 00		81 00	41 00		8 91	27 00	10 00	650 00	9 00	758 00†
St. Peter's, Smyrna,	2 60	8 25	2 75	8 00			17 50	8 00	75 69		175 10*
Christ Church, Dover,					6 00		2 50	5 00			15 50*
Christ Church, Milford,					6 00		8 00	5 00			19 00*
St. Paul's, Georgetown,				16 90			8 50	5 00			85 40*
St. Peters, Lewes,		5 64	8 80	9 44			8 00	5 00	55 64		82 98†
St. George's, Ind R't., & Chapel,		1 74	1 74	3 48				5 00	38 24		46 72†
St. Mark's, Millsboro,		1 28		1 28			7 50	1 25	1 28		8 76†
Grace Church, Baltimore Mills,		2 25		2 25				6 00	12 29		28 04*
St. Luke's, Seaford,		2 00		2 00		1 92		2 00	48 82		48 24*
Christ Church, Broad Creek,						87					87*
St. John's, Little Hill,		1 06		1 06		1 42		1 20			8 68*
St. Mark's, Little Creek,											
Total,	\$378 11	\$584 42	\$405 17	\$1,879 60	\$281 16	\$1,455 98	\$444 00	\$150 45	\$8,052 01	\$361 80	\$12,078 85

\* Current expenses not included.

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*John B. Lewis, Treasurer, in account with the Diocese of Delaware.*

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1861.				
June 4,	To balance in Treasury,		23	62
" "	To cash from St. Andrew's, Wilmington,		15	00
" 5,	" " Ascension, Brandywine Hundred,		6	00
" "	" " Christ Church, Milford,		5	00
" "	" " St. Luke's, Seaford,		5	00
" "	" " St. James', Newport,		5	00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		15	00
" "	" " St. Peter's, Smyrna.		10	00
" "	" " St. Ann's. Middletown,		10	00
" "	" " St. Mark's Millsboro,		5	00
" "	" " St. George's, Indian River,		5	00
" "	" " St. Peter's. Lewes,		6	00
" "	" " St. Thomas', Newark,		10	00
" "	" " St. Paul's. Georgetown,		5	00
" 12	" " Christ Church, Broad Creek, and Chapel,		4	31
July 13	" " Immanuel, New Castle,		15	00
1862.				
April	" " St. James'. Stanton,		6	00
May 26,	" " St. Andrew's. Wilmington,		15	00
" 28,	" " Trinity, Wilmington,		15	00
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			\$180	93
June 3,	To balance in Treasury,		105	72
" 4	To cash from Immanuel New Castle,		15	00
" "	" " Christ Church. Milford,		5	00
" "	" " Ascension. Brandywine Hundred,		8	00
" "	" " St. Peter's. Lewes,		10	00
" "	" " St. Peter's. Smyrna,		8	00
" "	" " St. Thomas', Newark,		8	00
" "	" " Christ Church. Delaware City,		5	00
" "	" " St. George's. Indian River,		5	00
" "	" " Christ Church. Dover,		5	00
" "	" " Grace Church, Brandywine Hundred,		5	00
" "	" " St. Philip's, Laurel,		2	00
" "	" " St. Mark's Little Creek Hundred,		1	20
" "	" " St. Paul's. Georgetown.		5	00
" "	" " Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,		15	00
" "	" " St. Ann's Middletown,		10	00
" 20,	" " St. Luke's, Seaford,		6	00

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1861.			
June 10	By cash paid to the Rev. ——— for the sexton of Christ Church, Dover,	8	00
July 8,	By cash paid to Dr. J. F. Wilson, as per order of Convention,	9	81
" 19,	By cash paid to Henry Eckel, as per order of Convention, for printing the Journal of Convention for 1861,	62	40
1862.			
June 8,	To balance in Treasury,	105	72
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		\$180	93
" 4,	By cash paid to the Rev. J. B. Clemson, as per order of Convention,	16	00
" "	By cash paid S. M. Curtis, Esq., by order of Convention,	6	58
" "	By cash paid to H. F. Rodney, Esq., for the sexton of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, by order of Convention,	5	00

# STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE.

*From the Episcopal Address, Parochial Reports, &c.*

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese,	-	-	18
Candidates for Orders,	-	-	1
Number of Parishes in union with the Convention,	-	-	25
Number of Clergymen having more than one parochial charge,	-	-	6
Church buildings,	-	-	28
Clergymen received with letters dimissory,	-	-	3
Clergymen dismissed to other Dioceses,	-	-	3
Ordained to the Diaconate,	-	-	1
Ordained to the Priesthood,	-	-	1
Clergymen deceased,	-	-	1
Baptisms—Infant 269, Adult 33, total,	-	-	302
Confirmed,	-	-	98
Communicants—Added 122, lost by death 21, by removal and otherwise, 110, present number,	-	-	1064
Marriages,	-	-	52
Funerals,	-	-	143
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	280
“ Scholars,	-	-	2563

## *Contributions.*

Missions—Diocesan, \$373,11; Domestic, \$584,42; Foreign, \$405,17; total,	-	-	\$1,379 60
To the Episcopal Fund from 17 churches,	-	-	444 00
To the Convention Fund, from 21 churches,	-	-	150 45
To the Disabled Clergy Fund, from 11 churches,	-	-	231 16
Communion Alms and charitable objects,	-	-	1,455 93
Parochial purposes,	-	-	8,052 01
Other objects,	-	-	361 30
Total from 23 churches,	-	-	\$12,073 35

## NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention will be held in Trinity Church, Wilmington, on the first Wednesday in June, 1863, at 9 o'clock, A. M.



**CONTRIBUTIONS, &c.,**

to the

**EPISCOPAL FUND,**

and the

**CONVENTION FUND,**

should be sent

To Mr. JOHN B. LEWIS, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

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To the

**MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE,**

To Dr. JAMES F. WILSON, *Treasurer*, Wilmington.

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To the

**Fund for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen,**

To Mr. JOHN B. LEWIS, Wilmington.

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To the

**Committee on Endowment of Episcopate,**

To JAMES BROWN, *Treasurer*, Claymont.







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